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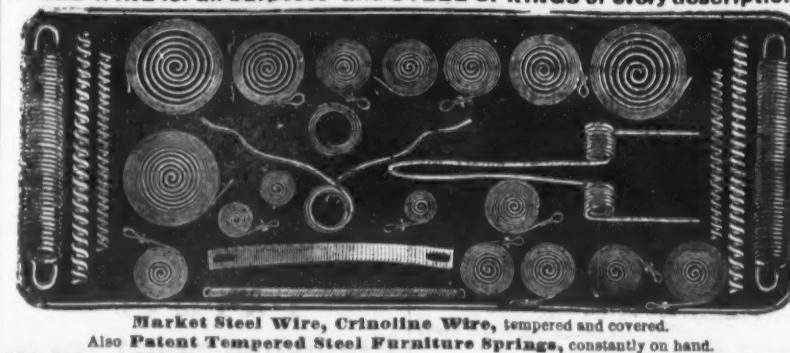
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change in the process of making iron by puddling, and he believed that puddled iron, except for the purposes of the country blacksmith, was rapidly becoming a thing of the past. He was told by Mr. Harrison, engineer to the North Eastern Railway Company, that some 18 months ago, when they asked for tenders for rails of iron and steel, many of the makers did not like to tender for iron, and such tenders as were sent were higher than the tenders for steel. In a very short time it would be practically impossible to get iron by the puddling process for many of the purposes for which some years ago it was used. Advertising to the much wider use of iron in the construction of bridges now compared with 1831, he stated that the improvement in the manufacture of steel had rendered possible the Forth Bridge, the designs for which were now completed, with spans of one-third of a mile in length. He believed that upward of 2000 tons of steel would be used in the construction of the bridge for the sole purpose of resisting the wind pressure, which would not be used had such pressure not been taken into account.

Having pointed out the improvement made in tools and the many additions made to their number during the past 50 years, and referred to the improved domestic appliances in use, as instanced by the sewing machine, of which nothing was known in 1831, Sir Frederick spoke of the improvements in agricultural machinery. In 1831 there were thrashing machines; double plows, and even multiple plows, had been tried and abandoned. Reaping machines had also been experimented upon and abandoned, but sowing machines, clover crushers and horse rakes were in use. As to the position of agricultural machinery at present, he did not know a better machine than the agricultural portable engine. Every part was beautifully made, and the economy in its use was very great. The last subject for reference was printing machinery as applied to newspapers. In 1831 there was a steam press sending out a few copies per hour, and doing that upon detached sheets; but by the Walter press, the process of stereotyping and *papier mache*, the wisdom of our senators delivered at 3 in the morning could be circulated throughout the country by the newspaper trains leaving London at 5 o'clock. He had purposely omitted, in this review, the telegraph, the improvements in weaving and the milling of corn into flour. Although he agreed with the president that they should not be content to look back and see the progress that had been made in a rest-and-be-thankful spirit, yet it might be well to have brought before the section, even in this cursory manner, some notice of that progress, that it might stimulate those present and those who were to follow them, so that it might well be said that giants lived in the days between 1831 and 1881; but they were a puny race who lived after them, for they could not improve upon what their fathers had done.

The "Fair Trade" Movement.

Our English correspondent this week gives us some interesting facts concerning the "Fair Trade" movement, which seems to be gaining ground. At all events, its advocates are making a great deal of noise and attracting a good deal of attention. The following, which appears as an advertisement in the leading English newspapers, will give our readers an idea of the aims and character of the movement:

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(a) The abandonment of entanglements in the shape of long-enduring commercial treaties, which prevent us adopting such fiscal arrangements as the action of foreign nations may from time to time render needful, in the general interests of our country.

(b) It insists upon the encouragement of our home industries by the free importation of raw materials needed by the labor interests of our manufacturing centers, and the levying of import duties upon the manufactures of foreign States which refuse to receive the products of British labor in fair exchange.

(c) It also aims at the full development of the resources of our empire, by the imposition of a moderate tax upon food from foreign States refusing to trade with us on equal terms, but admitting it free from every part of our own empire, such policy affording a revenue.

(d) A reasonable justice to our own heavily-burdened agricultural industry, and

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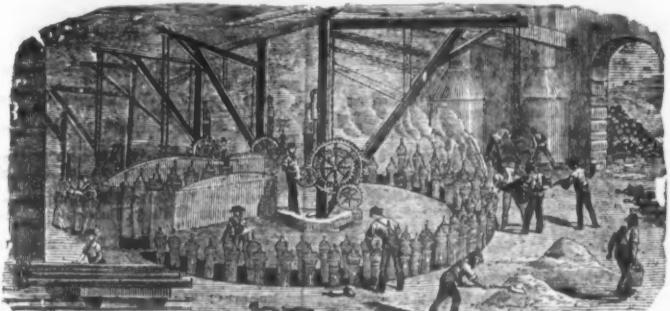
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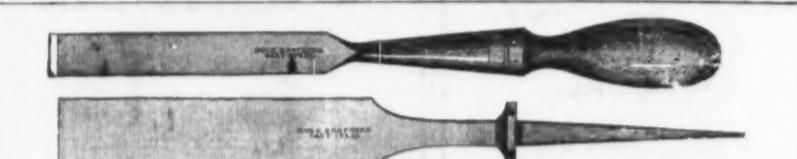
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The Paris correspondent of the London Times gives the following account of some of the novelties to be seen at the Electrical Exhibition:

Ever since M. Gramme introduced his beautiful machine for generating the electric current, his principle has been adopted in a host of other inventions. Shortly afterward a new value of the machine was found. I well remember, in 1875, returning from a prolonged absence from England, I had occasion to write to the late Prof. Clark Maxwell, and incidentally asked him what was the greatest discovery of late years. He replied that, in his opinion, the greatest discovery was "that a Gramme machine could be reversed"—i. e., that when a current was passed through the machine it might be used to drive machinery. The belief of the Professor was shared by many others, and hundreds of people have been since engaged in applying this new means of transmitting power to divers purposes. The Electric Exhibition contains a large number of these, many of which can even now be seen in action, but a complete notion of these applications cannot be gained until the steam engines, the source of nearly all the electricity to be used in the exhibition, are in a more advanced state. I will, however, attempt very shortly to give some idea of the most interesting examples in this department.

A great deal of popular curiosity will, doubtless, be excited by two thoroughly French toys on a large scale, both made by M. Trouvé. The first is the electric boat, which is a full-sized boat for three people, having attached to the near end of the rudder a screw driven by a small electric motor. The screw passes through a void space in the rudder. The motor is fed by three large bichromate cells. The mode of attachment of the screw causes it to assist the rudder in turning the boat, so that M. Trouvé has been easily able to float round the artificial pond which surrounds the light-house in the center of the building, and to pass under the picturesque arches by which it is spanned at the rate of about a mile an hour.

The other is the electrically propelled balloon of M. Tissandier. It is an elongated balloon, three meters long and one and a third in diameter. It is filled with hydrogen, and has a screw at the rear, driven by an electro-motor designed by M. Trouvé. It can also carry a couple of the secondary cells of M. Planté. A wire is suspended across the building from one gallery to the other, and the balloon rises above this wire and travels along it when the current passes. A fin placed in front prevents it from swaying. But the motion is very slow, and at present the machine is little more than an electrical toy.

Still more interest will, however, be excited by the tramway car driven by electricity, the invention of Messrs. Siemens. In this tram car, which runs from wooden station on the Place de la Concorde into the exhibition, the current is generated by a powerful dynamo machine within the building. It is then carried by wires mounted on strong posts, from which it is tapped by carriers on the car, whence it descends to beneath the center of the car. Here the current, passing through a dynamo machine, sets it in rotation, and by a chain connection this machine is geared to the axles of the wheels. The velocity of rotation is reduced to one-third by this gearing. The chain connections are all on one side in the case of both axles. There is also an arrangement supplied for taking the current directly from the rails, but it must be very rarely that such a means could be utilized on an ordinary tramway, and at present it is discarded. The appearance of the car is very handsome, and shows few external signs of the power which may be generated within it. Such a car might be fitted with the secondary batteries of M. Faure, which might be placed under the seats. The car would be then self-contained, and there would be no necessity for having either the aerial wire or the conduction through the rails. Such a self-contained car was actually constructed and tried in Paris some months ago, but serious difficulties were then encountered, which, however, I have reason to believe will soon be overcome, and then we shall have an opportunity of seeing a car running on a tramway and carrying its own electrical store of energy.

In the electric brake of M. Achard, applied to railway carriages, there are upon the axle of each pair of wheels two rings of iron, about 8 inches in diameter and 2 inches wide. Besides this, there is a second and independent axle with two rings 1 foot in diameter, facing the rings on the wheel axle. These rings, however, are the two extremities of a powerful electro-magnet, which can be excited by a coil of wire, the ends of which can be connected with the current generated in the locomotive by means of two pairs of strong copper strings. So long as there is no current passing, the independent axle maintains a fixed position, and the brake is kept away from the wheels by strong spiral springs. So soon, however, as the current is allowed to pass the rings, the two ends of the independent axle are converted into magnetic poles, which attract the revolving rings on the axle of the wheel, from which they are separated by only one-eighth of an inch. The so-called residual force of the rings produces a rotary force on the poles of the electro-magnet. The independent axle revolves and winds up a chain which is connected by levers with the brake, so that in a short time a powerful force is applied. A simple form of variable resistance is supplied in the locomotive, so that the engine driver has merely to turn a wheel more or less to increase or diminish the power of the brake.

A most interesting application of electricity to motive power is seen in the plowing machine of the late M. Menier, exhibited by M. Félix, which do the work of about 18 horses. In these are employed a pair of the large forms of Gramme machines, which were first made for them, but which have since become the usual form for Gramme motors. The ring armature has four poles, opposite which are the poles of the fixed magnets, each fed by two arms, giving somewhat the appearance of a square with all four sides prolonged each way, and inclosing a circle. All the

eight arms are connected by an octagonal framework of a very solid form, forming part of the field magnets. This is undoubtedly the most compact form of Gramme machine which has been made. This machine is at one end of the electrical locomotive; at the other end is the gear for directing the motion of the whole engine forward or backward in the field to be plowed, or for stopping it and putting it in action the machinery for winding up the large coil of wire rope, which coil is in the middle of the engine. The wheels are of course wide, like those of a traction engine, so as to be able to pass over plowed land. One of these engines being stationed at each end of the field, with a triple-share reversible plow between them, the electric contact is made, the Gramme machine turns round and winds up the wire, and so draws the plowshare along. When the plow has reached the end of a furrow the engines advance a step by gearing the Gramme machines to the proper wheels, the plow is tilted so as to bring three other shares into action, and the engine at the other end of the field pulls it the reverse way.

The Course of the Tin Plate Market.

Messrs. H. T. Lockwood & Bro., of this city, have sent to this office a chart representing the fluctuations in tin plate from January, 1868, to the 1st of August of the present year. The chart has four lines running across it, two in black representing Melyn grade of charcoal tin and ST P grade of charcoal tennes, and two red lines representing Allaway's grade of charcoal tin and B V grade of coke tins. B V cokes, January, 1868, were worth \$6.50 a box. Melyn grade charcoal tins at the same date were worth \$8 a box. From these points as extremes, the lines commence a zig-zag course up and down the sheet, until they might be supposed to represent the profile of a mountain range with various peaks and lowlands indicated before and after the highest points are reached. The highest figures shown in the chart occur in April and May, 1872, when Melyn grade of charcoal tins reached the unprecedented figure of \$13.75 per box, and B V grade of coke tins, \$12.50 a box. In October, 1871, these same tins had sold at \$8.78 and \$8, respectively. The rise that took place in the early part of 1872, it will be seen, was very rapid and altogether unparalleled in the history of the metal trade. From April of that year prices were maintained with some degree of regularity until the commencement of the fall season, when a decline took place, the lowest figure being reached about the middle of December, Melyn grades at that time selling for \$10.75 and B V cokes for \$9. This was a turning point, a rise in prices again taking place, culminating in April, 1873, with Melyn grades at \$12.50 a box. From this point the fall was gradual, with occasional variations, through the years '75, '76, '77, '78 and the first three-quarters of '79. In August and the first part of September, 1879, Melyn grades had been selling at \$6.25 a box. Under the effect of the "boom" which set in about this time, a steady rise took place until these same tins sold, in January and February of the following year, at \$10 a box. From this point the decline was rapid and regular, extending through the months of March, April, May and June. A rally of some 25¢ a box occurred in July and August. After this, the fall continued through September and October, the year closing with Melyn grades at \$6 a box. The first half of 1881 has shown alternate rises and depressions, varying, however, scarcely more than 12½¢ a box, leaving the market at the close of the period a little below where it was at the opening of the year. A graphic presentation of the course of trade in any line gotten up in this manner, is always of great interest to the intelligent student of commercial affairs, and firms who prepare and issue charts of this kind take a sure course of keeping their houses before the public.

The Broadway Tunnel.—Opposition to the proposed tunnel under Broadway is strongly manifested by property owners on that thoroughfare. In addressing the commissioners appointed to hear objections, Mr. Albon Man, who represented the Lorillard estate, said that it was proposed to construct the road at a depth of 22 or 23 feet, with a width about 12 feet less than that of the street. There were to be two tunnels or viaducts. The building of the road would involve the changing of most of the sewer system of that part of the city, and it would also affect the gas and water service. The sewers on the east side, which are all drained now into the North River, would have to be drained into the East River. Then quicksand has been found under Broadway in many places. The foundations of many buildings in the street are only 10 or 12 feet deep, and the digging of a tunnel 23 feet in depth would endanger the safety of these buildings. Mr. Jaffray said that a company, to construct a tunnel of this kind, should have at least \$10,000,000 capital, and he could not learn whether or not any large capitalists were interested in it. Then the construction of such a railroad would be an incalculable injury to the whole country, because it would block up the greatest thoroughfare in the metropolis for several years at least. Mr. Rice said that he was instructed by Judge Hilton to object absolutely to the scheme, because the construction of the tunnel would endanger the safety of many buildings, and because the company could not give any security to property owners for any injury it might do. He was told that none of its capital stock was paid in, and any bond it might give would be worthless. E. S. Jaffray, Albon Man, John C. Shaw, O. B. Potter and H. H. Rice were appointed a committee to recommend action to the property owners in Broadway. The commissioners will be asked to postpone their next meeting to give the committee an opportunity to investigate the matter, and to consult engineers as to the effect of the proposed tunnel.

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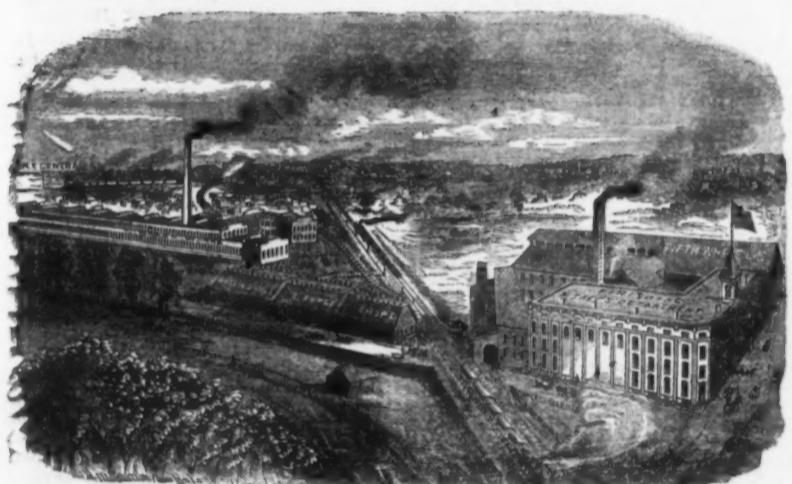
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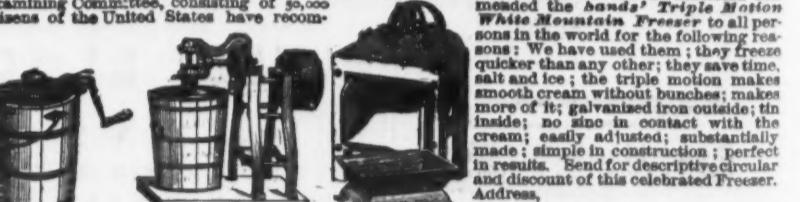
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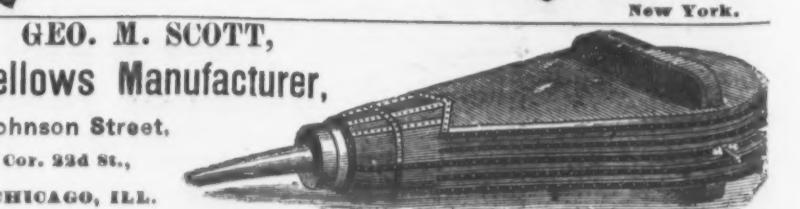
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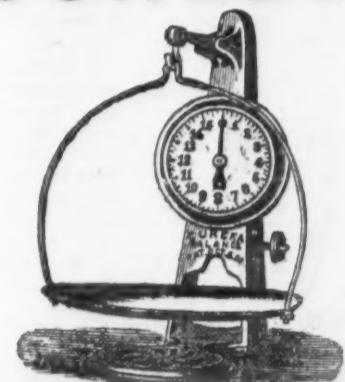
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The Chemistry of Spiegeleisen Production.

On this subject, Prof. A. Ledebur, of Freiberg, says: Toward the end of the second decade of this century the peculiar species of cast iron called "spiegeleisen" began to be produced systematically. Although this material had been made occasionally during the last century, it was not until the demand for large quantities of wrought iron for railroad purposes created a rapid development of the puddling processes, that the value of this material rose considerably especially after the discovery of the importance of an addition of it in the manufacture of steel and homogeneous iron by the puddling furnace, had been made. As long as spiegeleisen was made by means of wood charcoal, running off a slag containing large quantities of silica steel, it rarely showed more than 10 per cent. Mn. However, after furnacemen had got over their notion that charcoal was absolutely necessary in the process, and had adopted the use of coke, thereby requiring the running of a slag which was more basic, it was an easy matter for that reason, and on account of the higher temperature of the hearth, to obtain a more thorough reduction of the ore and a spiegeleisen containing 20 per cent. Mn. But this increase of percentage in Mn enhanced the cost of production considerably, and as long as the material was used principally in puddling furnaces, there was no strong inducement to produce a spiegeleisen containing a larger percentage of Mn. With the adoption and development of the Bessemer and Martin processes for making steel, which required the addition of a rich manganese iron, after complete decarbonization of the cast iron, to reduce the free oxide of iron, conditions were considerably changed. But as this process requires a larger quantity of spiegeleisen, in the inverse proportion of the percentage of Mn contained in it, the relative proportion of carbon added increasing at the same rate, it soon became necessary to make use of an alloy of manganese and iron very rich in Mn, when it was desirable to turn out a product low in carbon. At first this alloy was made altogether in crucibles, but under the stimulating influence of the depressing conditions existing in 1873, the problem of how to do the same in the blast furnace was soon solved, until now the spiegeleisen produced contains as much as 80 per cent. of Mn, and is rather an alloy of Mn and Fe, and could very appropriately be called a cast manganese, rather than spiegeleisen.

The general conditions necessary to obtain this rich product of manganese are: A strongly basic slag, high temperature above the hearth, copious supply of fuel and, naturally, a large excess of manganese ores, which must be larger in proportion to the composition of the required product, especially because so large a waste occurs in the slag, which always carries off a considerable amount of Mn. The external appearance of a spiegeleisen furnace in blast is, however, sufficient to indicate conditions of operation entirely different from those existing in the ordinary pig blast furnace. Not only is the temperature above the hearth much higher, but the boles and upper part of the stack are quite hot, and the lining frequently attains a red heat, while the characteristic indication of a spiegel furnace is a huge mass of flame issuing from the mouth, wasting a large amount of heat. There are two principal causes producing these peculiarities of the spiegeleisen processes; the first is the difficulty of reducing and melting the manganese, and the second is the chemical relation of the ore to the carbonic oxide gases rising in the furnace.

Taking up the first cause, the difficulty of reducing and melting the manganese, it may be well to define the terms "easily reducible" and "non-reducible." If it be desirable to draw a line between the two terms, it must, in my estimation, be made to depend upon the chemical relation to or affinity for carbon in one case, and that for carbonic oxide in the other. Thus, only those metals which are not acted upon by carbonic oxide could be called non-reducible, while highly-heated carbon might still produce complete reduction. This affinity of carbon for oxygen combining to form carbonic oxide, constantly increasing with every temperature thus far attained, makes it our most valuable reducing agent for non-reducible metallic oxides. The reason why such substances as potassium and sodium carbonate, manganese peroxide and other metallic oxides, which are non-reducible at low temperatures, can yet be reduced by carbon when brought to a state of incandescence, must certainly be looked for in the fact that carbon at that temperature possesses a greater affinity for oxygen than either of the other metals. It is hardly to be doubted that this oxidation is largely assisted by the well-established loss of affinity which other metals sustain when subjected to very high temperatures. Carbonic oxide, however, shows a similar affinity for oxygen, increasing with the rise of temperature, and, although it begins to reduce many metallic oxides, and especially oxides of iron, at a much lower temperature than carbon is found to do, its value as a

reducing agent soon disappears, as a point is reached when, by an augmentation of temperature, its affinity for oxygen is not increased, but actually reduced. The reason for this occurrence can readily be traced to the behavior of the carbonic acid gas produced by the combustion of the carbonic oxide. The latter acts upon metals easily in proportion to the readiness with which they oxidize and the higher the temperature, and is dissociated at that point when carbon attains its affinity for oxygen. Manganese is one of the non-reducible metals, for its lowest oxide, manganese oxide, can only be reduced by means of incandescent carbon, which constitutes a principal difference between it and iron ore. These are acted upon by carbonic oxide at a temperature even less than red heat, and the attention of the ironmaster is principally devoted to an extension of this indirect reduction, so as to leave but very little oxide of iron when the slag begins to collect, as this would dissolve all of it. The reason for this effort is to be found in the relative economy of fuel and reducing agent used in direct and indirect reduction. In the latter process, carbonic oxide, formed at the mouth of the tuyeres by the oxygen from the air of the blast, is the reducing agent.

1 kg. of C burn with 4.3 kg. of atmospheric air producing 7.3 kg. CO, develops 2475 h. u. 7.3 kg. CO in reduction of ore thereby changed into 11.3 kg. CO₂ develops by combustion 5600 h. u. For the fusion of the iron ore which gave up the 4.3 kg. O used in combustion of CO, requires about 4.3 x 4200 = 5600 h. u. i. e., the process of indirect reduction abstracts no heat from nor adds to the other processes of the furnaces, so that 2470 heat units developed by combustion of O, may be devoted to the fusion of the pure metal and slag.

In the direct reduction by C we have the following conditions:

1 kg. C and 4.3 kg. O taken from the ore when entering into combustion develop 2470 h. u. To reduce this ore which supplies the O 5600 h. u. are required, which makes a heat consumption of 3139 h. u.

From this we see that by the latter process there is a loss of 5600 heat units per kg. of C used, which must be replaced by the addition of a sufficient quantity of fuel. This also explains the rapid cooling down of the iron blast furnace as soon as a more rapid smelting or higher temperature, or other causes, increase the direct reduction. This condition of affairs in a manganese furnace explains the necessarily enormous consumption of fuel in it.

It is customary to assume that the smelting of manganese oxide is equal to that necessary to reduce ferrous oxide. It is, however, rather larger than smaller. Another difficulty arises from the fact that alloys of manganese are less fusible the greater the percentage of manganese contained in them, and, as a consequence, the quantity of heat necessary in the furnace is not only larger, but the temperature must also be higher than in an iron furnace. It is hardly necessary to say how satisfactory the results obtained in this direction have been by the application of hard coke and very high temperature of blast.

The other essential difference between a manganese and an iron furnace is produced by the relation of the manganese ore to the carbonic oxide gas rising in the furnace. Pyrolusite, or MnO₂, is the ore which is generally used in furnaces.

The lowest oxide of manganese, or MnO, can only be reduced by incandescent C, while all higher oxides readily part with some of their oxygen to combine with carbonic oxide, and, in consequence of the temperature used, are converted into Mn₂O₃, Mn₃O₄, and Mn₂O₅, the latter, however, changing rapidly into Mn₂O₄ on coming in contact with air.

As many of the reactions which these higher oxides undergo have never been determined with sufficient thoroughness to explain many conditions which obtain in the processes of the manganese blast furnaces, several experiments are here given, which may throw some light on the subject.

The material used was pyrolusite, containing 51.97 per cent. MnO₂ (or 51.82 per cent. Mn), 5.03 per cent. Fe₂O₃, 2.79 per cent. water, and the remainder principally H₂O₂Si or silicic acid. With this composition of the manganese oxide gave up its O in about the following manner: While changing to Mn₂O₃, 7.54 per cent.; to Mn₃O₄, 10.05 per cent.; to Mn₂O₅, 15.07 per cent.; to which must be added the O derived from Fe₂O₃, supposing a complete reduction of iron to the metallic state, which was, however, hardly ever realized in the experiments, or 1.50 per cent. O.

In these tests the ore was weighed in a closed glass, weighing bottle before and after the action of carbonic oxide gas, while the weight of water evaporated was determined by calcium tubes; and the weight of oxygen consumed was found by taking the difference in weights, having due regard for water emitted. The carbonic oxide gas was, of course, carefully dried, before passing it through the tube containing the ore, in a small vessel. The temperatures used during the tests were compared by introducing chips of tin, zinc and lead into the tube. A large number of tests gave the following average results:

1. The action of pure carbonic oxide gas on the ore at a temperature but little above 200° C., produced a sudden glowing of the ore, beginning at one end of the heap and running through to the other, and then ceasing. The ore, which had previously been black, had assumed a deep reddish brown; 9.4 per cent. of oxygen was abstracted, showing a conversion partly to Mn₂O₃ and partly to Mn₃O₄. The entire test occupied about 30 minutes, although the reduction was effected in a few seconds.

2. Raising the temperature to about 400° C., and passing carbonic-oxide gas over it for about one hour, 13.64 per cent. of O disappeared. Even assuming that the iron oxide present had been reduced to the metallic state, the amount of O withdrawn was more than sufficient to have changed the ore to Mn₂O₃, and it must have been at least partially changed to MnO. Upon exposure to the atmosphere the weight increased rapidly.

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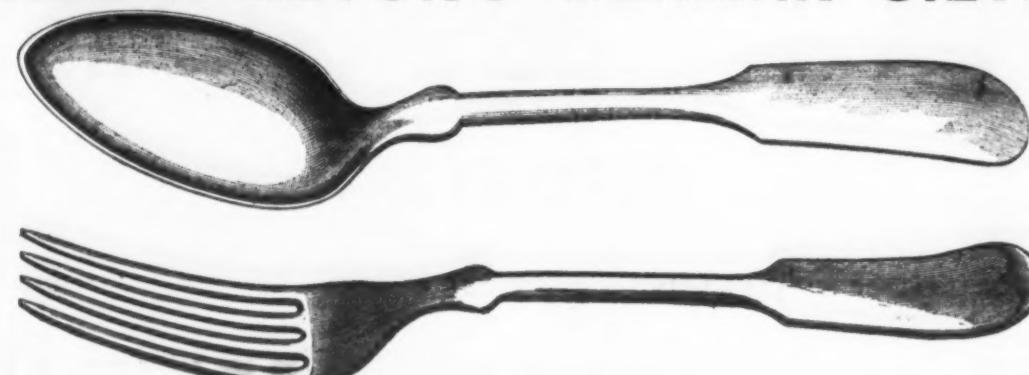
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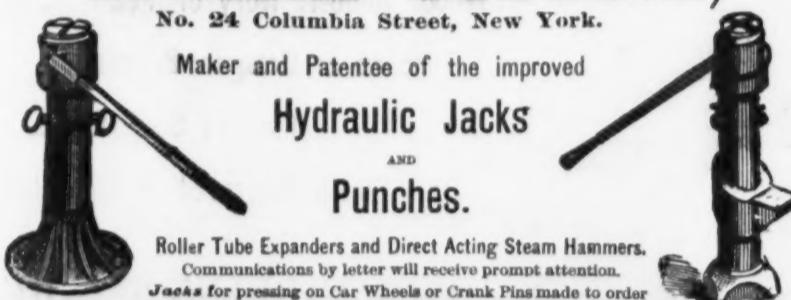
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3. Using a gas obtained by passing atmospheric air over charcoal at a low red heat, containing about 70 per cent. N, 7 per cent. CO, 23 per cent. CO₂, the peculiar glowing mentioned in No. 1 again appeared, but not so plainly as before. The whole reaction was slower and required a higher temperature (300° to 350° C.) Several tests made at temperatures running up to 440° C., indicated a more rapid completion of the reaction.

After keeping the temperature at from 350° to 400° C. (less than melting point of zinc), 9 per cent. of O was lost; after two hours at 400 degrees, 11.5 per cent., and, finally, after four hours, 11.8 per cent. O was lost.

In dry air (over sulphuric acid) the weight of the heated ore increased rapidly, but remained stationary on reaching a loss of O equal to 10.7 per cent., or a total loss during last trial of 1.1 per cent. O.

4. On heating the ore in a current of air for about two hours in the highest temperature to be obtained by a Muencke combustion oven, or about 600° C., 4.1 per cent. of O was given off, while the color changed but slightly.

In the lower part of a manganese furnace there exists a gas mixture which contains more carbonic oxide than that used in No. 3, for in addition to the carbonic oxide produced by combustion of fuel in the air blown in, it also contains that quantity of gas produced by the direct reduction of the ore by the fuel. All ores, gradually settling down in the furnace, come in contact with this rising current of gas, and are gradually reduced to MnO₂, and finally to MnO. In itself this action would be very favorable for the processes in the furnace, but it causes a considerable generation of heat, and this constitutes an essential difference from the iron blast furnace, which is almost entirely absorbed by roasting the ore, as demonstrated above by figures. According to Prof. Thomson, the heat required to resolve MnO₂ into MnO + O, amounts to 21511 h. u. for every atom (16 parts by weight), or for each part 1344 h. u. One part of oxygen, uniting 7-4 parts by weight of carbonic oxide gas, develops 4205 h. u.; the net gain of heat in that process of reduction, therefore, amounts to 4205 - 1344 = 2861 heat units, and consequently more than when coal enters into combustion with the same amount of oxygen before the tuyeres in a blast furnace. The consequent increment of temperature must also be larger than that produced when air is used, as the oxygen from the ore is not mixed with a considerable proportion of nitrogen, which is the case with atmospheric oxygen. The glowing of the ore in experiment No. 1 is ample proof of the increase of temperature when manganese ores are subjected to the action of carbonic oxide gas.

The legitimate desire of the ironmaster to run his furnace with cool head and warm foot, meets with two serious obstacles in the working of the manganese blast furnace—the large consumption of heat at the hearth requisite for direct reduction of the manganese oxide, and the above-mentioned development of high temperatures in the upper part of stack. The first difficulty may be battled with successfully by introducing the blast at very high temperature by using a compact fuel, and plenty of it. The second one has not yet been overcome, which is shown by the huge flames issuing from all manganese furnaces at the present day, with little prospect of their utilization, as any device to collect the gases would soon be destroyed. At the same time it must not be forgotten that this is not such a serious difficulty with a manganese blast furnace, as in it the ores must be reduced by incandescent coal. In an iron blast furnace this would, however, increase the direct reduction, and, consequently, a large consumption of fuel. Still, it would be very beneficial to avoid this high temperature in the upper part of a stack of a manganese furnace, as it would facilitate the working considerably. Charging the furnace would be easier, repairs would not be so frequent, and the waste gases could be utilized in many ways. Besides this, greater economy in coal consumption would ensue, as indirect reduction of iron ores admixed would be increased, which at present take too readily; moreover, that part of the fuel which now only acts upon the carbonic acid in the rising current of mixed gases, being now a complete waste, could be otherwise retained in the furnace, to be utilized in its lower part.

As the principal cause of this high heat lies in the fact that manganese ores rich in oxygen are charged into the stack, a removal of its cause, i. e., a conversion of the manganese oxide into a red oxide, would produce the desired effect, lower the temperature and reduce the consumption of fuel. Simply heating or roasting ores would produce this desired conversion, but as a very high temperature, as shown by experiment No. 4, and considerable time would be required, it would be very expensive. A quicker and more economic process would be to bring a heated current of mixed air and carbonic oxide in contact with the heated ores. The furnace itself could furnish an ample supply for this purpose, and charging an ore not so rich in oxygen would develop waste gases containing more carbonic oxide gas than those from an ordinary blast furnace, and there would then be no obstacle in the way of collecting and carrying of these products of combustion.

There would always be a sufficient quantity of waste gases for the roasting and hot-blast ovens, as well as for the boilers.

The construction of the roasting ovens would depend somewhat upon the character of the ore to be handled, and also upon whether it would be best to heat the ore before roasting or only during that process.

The question might be asked whether it may not be possible to reduce the great loss of Mn produced by the large amount uniting with the slag. For very good reasons, the manganese oxide can only be reduced from a strongly basic slag; it would become necessary to substitute another base for this oxide to take its place in the slag. This base must not be reduced as readily as the other, and must also possess the property to reduce the melting point of the silicate of lime to such a point that it will remain liquid at the temperature of the manganese furnace. The price of this base ought to be higher than

that of manganese oxide. There is, however, very little prospect of realizing this aim.

A New Small Power Steam Motor.

Undoubtedly there still exists considerable demand for small motors driven by steam. Although hot air and gas engines have been very much improved of late, there is room for further improvement. The principal defects in and objections to gas engines have been overcome by the important improvements adopted in the silent Otto gas engine, but this cannot always be employed, for the want of gas to be used as fuel, great first cost and heavy running expenses. The engine here illustrated is one which combines a great many good features, being simple, inexpensive and occupying little space. The engine and boiler are so combined as to insure economic use of the heat generated, and is as safe as any stove used for heating purposes.

The illustrations show a vertical elevation and section (Fig. 1), and top view (Fig. 2). The furnace A, which is surrounded by a system

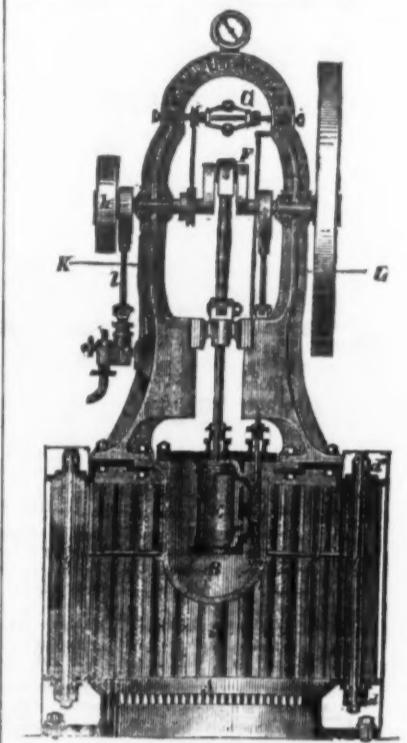


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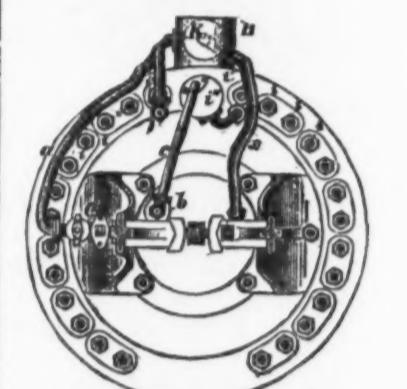


Fig. 2.

SMALL POWER STEAM MOTOR.

of water pipes easily removable, has in its upper part a superheater, B, made of best cast steel, which forms a receptacle for the steam cylinder E of the engine.

The piston rod is connected to the crank pin in the usual manner, having guides on the main frame carrying the shaft. There is no steam chest, as the whole superheater B takes its place, and the steam is distributed by a slide valve in the ordinary manner, being controlled by an eccentric on the main shaft.

The exhaust steam is blown off through a pipe into the open air. The steam has generally a pressure of eight atmospheres. The motion of the engine is controlled by the governor G, which also regulates the feed-water supply, by acting upon the valve by the rod I, returning the superfluous water into the reservoir. By this double function of the governor a twofold result is obtained; the motion of the engine is controlled by the regulation of the supply of steam admitted to the cylinder, and the quantity of feed water supplied to evaporating tubes is regulated according to consumption of steam, thereby avoiding the occurrence of a dangerous steam pressure, avoiding also unnecessary strain on engine. The products of combustion pass to the stack through the tube H, and are made to heat the feed water which is supplied by the pump P.

The principal improvement in this style of motor is the simultaneous regulation of water supply to boiler, and steam supply to superheater and cylinder. Peculiar features of this design are the arrangement of evaporating tubes, i. e., and superheater, and suspending the steam cylinder in the latter, avoiding the use of a steam chest, thereby having the most direct connection between steam generator and cylinder, as the steam, always dry, enters directly from the superheater through the ports into the cylinder. But few minutes are required to set this motor in operation, as there is no body of water to be heated, while the firing is no more than that necessary to run an ordinary stove.

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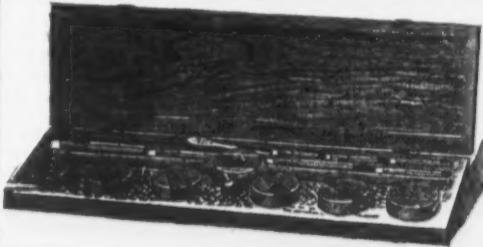
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withstanding the activity prevailing in all industrial departments during the last two years, the natural growth of the country, and consequent increase of the consumptive demand, is not yet fully appreciated.

Competitive Tests of Steam Engines.

As the fall of the year approaches, and fairs and exhibitions open their doors to the admiring public, the steam engine builders are finishing their preparations for the competitive tests which are to make their own reputations and break those of their business opponents. The money spent in getting apparatus ready and in obtaining data, is often very considerable. The amount of gall and bitterness which can be obtained from one such contest, however, is out of all proportion to the outlay of money and labor. We think that such an exhibition will generally produce more hard feeling, more lying, more mental wretchedness and as little actual benefit, as any one of the world's great battles. A fourth of July oration is not less productive of practical results, and the honors are as empty as the prizes from a church sociable grab bag.

The question is being asked in a serious manner by scientific and business men, What is the value of a competitive test of steam engines? The ordinary engine buyer looks at the figures and sees that each of the competing engines beats all the others, and burns an infinitesimally smaller amount of "combustible per horse-power per hour." Naturally, he concludes that a race in which all the horses in each heat come in a little ahead of all the others, is beyond his comprehension. The engineers look at the figures, and then turn to the logs, only to find that certain unknown quantities have been introduced, or certain known, but essential ones, withdrawn, or some cooking process employed which makes it impossible for them to come to any independent conclusion. The judges are in a most uncomfortable situation. Occasionally they become little more than detectives, to watch subordinates and prevent "jockeying" by firemen and engineers. At other times they are merely official time takers, to put into the log the results of the hocus-pocus of the managers. No one who has ever attempted to do the fair thing by all concerned in such a test, is willing to undertake the task a second time. It is worse than trying to play arbitrator in a family hurricane.

Usually, the efforts to make sure that one engine will do better than another one are of such a character that any fair method of comparing them is out of the question. Both parties want the tests so arranged that by a little manipulation of the figures they can show a great gain. If the judges cannot or will not put the figures into a shape that will permit this, some one must be found who will do it. We do not think that the science of steam engineering has been benefited \$500 worth from all the competitive tests of steam engines which have been made in the last 15 years. We have conversed with many of the judges who have served at those trials—men who are certainly above suspicion—and in almost every instance they spoke of circumstances which had occurred, or actions on the part of some interested party, which gave rise to doubts in their minds concerning the results supposed to be obtained. Every engineer who has been called upon to take care of engines on exhibition, has tales to tell which, to say the least, are not reassuring. We most unhesitatingly say to all manufacturers, whether they make good, bad, or indifferent machines, do not enter into trials with other engines at the fairs where you exhibit this fall, and do not do it at any other time. The money which such a trial will cost is utterly wasted, and may give the opposing engine a great and unjust advantage. If it does not, the result may be so indecisive as to make the whole trial worthless to both parties.

The fair or the mechanical exhibition may, however, be made valuable as a time and place for obtaining accurate data in regard to engine performance. At these times engine tests should be made, and the results published should be so guaranteed that the scientific world would be willing to accept them. There is an objection at once raised by the manufacturer, that some one else would go over the same ground at another time and, by means of better preparation, obtain a much better record. This seems to have force, but we see no chance for any two manufacturers to obtain similar conditions to begin with, and this would of course make a competition out of the question. Again, each man would be likely to choose such work as would be the best for his own engine. Some would, no doubt, undertake to make a record at the brake, getting so many turns for so many pounds of coal; others would undertake certain kinds of work, and would obtain the closest figures for turning out a given quantity. Even the builders of plain slide-valve engines might obtain results which would be valuable advertising figures, while at the same time they contributed to our scientific knowledge in no small degree. For example, suppose they should undertake to repeat the trials for efficiency of firemen that were made some years ago in England, and should offer prizes to the fireman who would obtain the greatest number of revolutions from the engine at a fixed load with a given amount of fuel, engine and boiler being turned over to him with steam up and water at a fixed level, but with the fire just drawn. This would be a test of the men, but not of the

engines. The best man, however, would make a very pretty record for the engine, which would be well worth the insignificant cost necessary to obtain it.

The automatic cut-off engine builder could hardly confer a greater favor upon science than by fitting up his engine according to the best of his ability, and turning it over to some well-known and highly respected expert, with instructions to "make a ten-day test for economy," or "find the most favorable conditions for economy with this engine." The answer to either one of these questions would produce a "log" which would not only be both creditable to the engine and the expert, but would be in the highest degree valuable in the hands of the business man of the concern. Such a log, if properly kept, or made up in a simple form, would be valuable to the engine buyer also, who would then have some idea of what he might expect from such an engine, with proper treatment, under similar conditions. Again, a test might be made to settle certain questions in regard to superheating under conditions when economy is often out of the question. At fairs, wet steam is the rule and not the exception. Engine men often laughingly say, in reply to a question concerning the steam supply, "I'm running a pump and not an engine." In such cases the introduction of a superheater with an independent furnace would furnish a series of conditions from which valuable data might be obtained. If a boiler maker and an engine builder could so arrange matters as to exhibit together, one furnishing steam for the other, matters would be greatly simplified and no end of valuable material could be obtained. When we say valuable, we mean valuable to the business end of boiler making and engine building. The scientific value is beyond question.

We doubt whether there is a builder of portable slide-valve engines in the country who could not so arrange one of his engines for a trial that information useful to both himself and the public could be obtained. And here, we suppose, the grand objections to such trials will be found. It will take some such shape as this: "If I go to the 'expense of making such tests and then publish them to the world, some of my competitors will get hold of them and then 'will know just as much as I do.'" The answer to this is easy enough. The competitors of any one who makes any such objection already know more than he does. They are not likely to be the gainers. There are few secrets in steam engine building that one maker can keep from another, and the publication of the actual logs of half a dozen engines built at any one shop, are far more likely to do good than harm. It has become a well recognized fact that the diffusion of knowledge is in every way an advantage to all parties concerned, and that nothing can be gained by any attempt to obtain an advantage by means of trade secrets. But whatever tests may be made, the results sought by them should be answers to such questions as steam users are likely to ask. For example, the steam user wants to know what is the cost of 10, 50 or 100 horse-power per day, with an ordinary good engine, run in the fashion which usually prevails in shops or factories, and what the same power would cost with the same engine and the very best of care. In such a test every item, from the cost of the waste to the interest on the investment, should be specially noted. A carefully kept log from an engine doing the work, as it is usually found at our annual exhibitions, would be of no small interest, if every ounce of waste and gill of oil was put upon the record and indicator cards taken at regular intervals. It would be possible, in connection with such a record, to test, even at one of our American Institute fairs, the value of the different kinds of anthracite coal for steam purposes, and that, too, without one dollar's worth of expense to any of the parties concerned. It will be asked, What good will come to engine builders from tests of this character? We answer, very great good. It will at once raise the standard of an establishment encouraging or making such tests, and give the proprietor a wide reputation for accurate and scientific work. Circulars containing such information will be read and preserved, because they contain data of value. This will be found especially true if the results are put in such shape that those who understand only the elementary facts of steam engineering can comprehend them. The higher scientific modes of experience may be put into foot-notes, or printed as appendices. There are engine catalogues which are put away and treasured by all engineers into whose hands they come, but there are more which have no interest or value for anybody. The typical catalogue is one that every steam user should want to keep for reference or put into the engine-room for his engineer. It should be full of good suggestions for all. Such a catalogue can only be the result of tests made by the manufacturers with engines in the hands of competent experts who have reputations above suspicion. We may, in conclusion, again express our belief that the days of competitive engine trials, whether in this country or England, are numbered. Certainly they should be, for public confidence in them and in the results attained by them has vanished.

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employers are often workmen in the fullest sense. It also fails to recognize the distinction between those who work at bench or machine, or in any of the usual handicrafts, and those who serve in other capacities for wages, or, to use the more common term, "salaries." The English word "servant" is comprehensive, but the term is objectionable to most wage earners in this country. They serve, but do not like to be called servants. We need a word which shall have the exact meaning that attaches in popular usage to employee as distinguished from employer. Masters and men are good words, which would be satisfactory if they could be brought into general use; but they are open to the objection that the masters are men, and that the men are often masters. Perhaps it is better, after all, to fall back upon "workman," for it is commonly supposed that employers have no work to do, and that the men who earn wages do all that contributes to profit. Meanwhile, our correspondent has not helped the matter much, unless he takes account of the satisfaction we have experienced in learning that *employee* is the feminine of *employe*.

England's Adverse Balance of Trade and Her Carrying Trade.

There are some facts and figures in a pamphlet recently published by the Cobden Club, entitled, "The Reciprocity Craze," which are worthy of more consideration than Americans usually pay to the publications of this society, even when, as was the case last year, so many of them are sent us without money and without price. The author of the pamphlet, Mr. George W. Medley, discusses at length what he terms "the main argument of protection"—the excess of imports over exports—which is by no means the main argument of protection, but is one that within a few years, at a time when our imports were in excess, has been used as an argument in favor of the adoption of free trade in this country, and is so used to-day. But it is with Mr. Medley's facts and figures, not his arguments and assertions, that we have to deal. Mr. Medley states that the Board of Trade returns for 1880 show that Great Britain imported during that year £411,000,000 and exported only £286,000,000, leaving an apparent balance against her of £125,000,000. Mr. Medley asserts, however, that this adverse balance is fictitious, as shipping receipts, insurance, interest, merchants' profits and income from foreign investments, are omitted. These are put down at £126,000,000, which leaves a balance in favor of England of £1,000,000. Without stopping to ask if Mr. Medley has not cheated himself in this last calculation, as the close approximation of these two sums would lead one to suppose might be the case, it may be pertinent to ask if this is the country that but a few years ago laid the whole world under contribution to fill its coffers? Whatever may be the explanation that Mr. Medley and his co-laborer, Mr. Mongredien, may give, it is a fact that the amount of Great Britain's foreign trade has been steadily and rapidly diminishing, and the only explanation that can be given is that the English people are becoming less and less manufacturers or producers, and are becoming more and more merchants or middlemen.

But the point of chief importance to us is the method in which the apparent adverse balance of £125,000,000 is met. This is largely by freight, insurance and other minor charges. Mr. Mongredien, in his book, "Free Trade and English Commerce," estimates this at 11 per cent. in the customs valuation, and two-thirds of this as paid to English ship owners, underwriters, &c., by foreign consignees of English exports. He assumes, and justly, that, considering what English-owned vessels earn on intermediate voyages, 11 per cent. would fully come to English ship owners and underwriters. Now, why should we pay this tribute to England, not only on our imports, but on our exports as well? for it is a serious fact that this tribute is exacted both ways. While England does two-thirds of its own export trade in British ships, how much of the exports of this country are carried in American ships? We do not purpose at this time to argue the question as to why English vessels carry our business, but to point out that both Mr. Medley and Mr. Mongredien virtually acknowledge that one of the reasons that England has not a very heavy adverse balance against her to-day, is because of her income from this same carrying trade. Why should we not be in a similar position? We can be and we should. As Mr. Blaine said in his speech of last January before the United States Senate: "From the beginning of the war to this hour the Congress of the United States has not done one solitary thing to uphold the navigation interests of the United States. Decay has been going on steadily from year to year. The great march forward of our commercial rival of old has been witnessed and everywhere recognized, and the representatives of the people of the United States have sat in their two houses of legislation as dumb as though they could not speak, and have not offered a single remedy or a single 'aid.' Is it not about time that this silence was broken?"

On this side, the metal has all along shown great statistical strength and soundness. Last year the importation of tin into the United States was fearfully overdone—so much so that from the Straits alone there were shipped this way during the first seven months no less than 5000 tons, against 3297 during the corresponding period in 1879. This year the shipments were restricted to 2419 tons. In consequence of the heavy supplies pouring in upon us during the earlier portion of 1880, quite a break in prices occurred toward midsummer, as the following table shows:

LOWEST AND HIGHEST PRICE OF STRAITS TIN AT NEW YORK, IN CENTS.

| Month. | 1880. | | 1881. | |
|-----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| | Lowest | Highest | Lowest | Highest |
| January | \$1 | \$4 1/2 | \$1 1/2 | \$1 1/2 |
| February | \$2 | \$3 1/2 | \$2 1/2 | \$2 1/2 |
| March | \$2 1/2 | \$2 | \$2 | \$2 |
| April | \$2 1/2 | \$2 1/2 | \$2 | \$2 |
| May | 1 1/2 | \$1 1/2 | \$1 1/2 | \$1 1/2 |
| June | \$1 1/2 | \$1 1/2 | \$1 1/2 | \$1 1/2 |
| July | \$1 1/2 | \$1 1/2 | \$1 1/2 | \$1 1/2 |
| August | \$2 | \$2 1/2 | \$2 1/2 | \$2 1/2 |
| September | \$2 1/2 | \$2 | \$2 | \$2 |
| October | \$2 1/2 | \$2 | ... | ... |
| November | \$2 1 | | | |

neously China takes unusually large amounts of tin, even at the current rather high prices. At other points of production there is, so far, no notable decrease, nor is there any increase to compensate for the Straits deficiency. Should the discount in London not be materially raised during the next month or two, speculators for a rise may, under the circumstances, succeed in advancing Straits tin still higher, but it is evident, from what we have shown, that the metal will then become dangerous property, unless consumption assumes proportions on both sides of the Atlantic beyond present prospects and expectations.

Internal Taxation and the Revenue Reform Theorists.

We note that the suggestion made in these columns last spring, that it was possible that the next Congress would consider the advisability of reducing the internal taxes, especially those on spirits and liquors, is being quite earnestly advocated in some sections.

Senator Cameron, of Pennsylvania, has already put himself on record as favoring some reduction in these taxes, and Mr. Wharton Barker, of Philadelphia, has written an open letter to Justin S. Morrill, advocating the abolition of all internal revenue taxes. Mr. Barker's general argument is as follows: He deems the internal taxes intrinsically objectionable because they continue in the daily experience of the people the war's exactions beyond the point of necessity, particularly in the Southern States. They make the national authority seem inquisitorial and harsh, restraining and taxing the people in pursuits that were formerly free; and are inimical to the policy of pacification, which is now so desirable. These taxes are objectionable because they are unnecessary, and the tax on the capital and deposits of banks, and the stamp tax on matches, checks, and proprietary medicines are especially unpopular. The collection of unneeded revenues leads to wasteful appropriations and schemes of plunder. To dispense with the internal revenue officials would simplify the problem of reform. To pay off the debt more deliberately will avoid the threatened early demolition of our national banking system. A large portion of the internal taxes are drawn from the Southern States, whose finances are disordered and whose revenues are insufficient to meet their public obligations. Should these taxes be relinquished by the National Government, they might be taken up and made a source of revenue by the separate States. As there must be at an early day a reduction in our national taxes, the question is whether we shall lighten the burden on our own products or remove the duties upon foreign goods, and, as the internal taxes must be partly removed, would it not be every way best to remove them altogether? We notice that the free trade and revenue reform papers are crying out against this movement, and demanding that these taxes shall be retained and the tariff reduced. This is quite consistent with the free trade and revenue reform theory, that no tax should be imposed or continued which is found of any benefit to the community. It is, of course, perfectly right and proper to impose a tax on the importation of anything which is not, and cannot be, raised or produced at home; but the moment a duty becomes protective and offers substantial encouragement to domestic industry, that moment, in the judgment of the free-trade school, it becomes iniquitous. It is not at all surprising, therefore, that these gentlemen are found opposed to the reduction of internal taxes which are simply burdens, and which cannot by any chance benefit the people; nor is it surprising that they clamor for the reduction of duties on imports to a point where they will cease to be protective. They must be consistent, even though it be with an absurdity, as it happens to be in this case.

River Front Warehouses.

The needs of New York City in the matter of pier accommodation for merchandise in transitu, are becoming every day more imperative. As remarked by the freight agent of one of our steamship lines, "There is not room enough between the Battery and Canal street for the business done along that portion of the water front, and there are endless trouble from blockade during the busy season." New York is already "hide-bound." Confined within the limits of Manhattan Island, the volume of merchandise coming to this center for distribution or transshipment will soon surpass the means for handling it. Even now it is frequently necessary that gangs of men work all night in order that freight can be cleared from the wharves, to escape a worse accumulation on the following day. After making every effort to expedite business, assisted by all the improved steam auxiliaries, the North River front, along which runs the belt line railway, often becomes wedged immovably with a mass of vehicles.

It is clear that at no distant day some method of relief must be devised, and the plan adopted must be in accordance with a recognized system to which all interests can conform. The most progressive of the steamship companies in providing for local freight accommodation is the National Line to London, which has erected a substantial two-story building on the pier, forming, practically, a double-decked wharf—equivalent to an extension of the river front. Important advantages are thus

gained, especially in consideration of the fact that wharf leases, even at the present exorbitant rates, are almost impossible to obtain. Eventually the tax on commerce thus imposed—the "corners" in wharf property which are made possible—must work a serious injury to the commerce of the port. As the question now stands, the structure of the National Line affords the best exponent of the measure of relief demanded; but should a fire occur and the entire accumulation of material vanish in ashes, the methods now so much approved would be unspuriously denounced. An inviting field is here offered for a design for a permanent iron structure adapted to the entire water front, the same to be located in part or wholly on the pier, or connected by elevated railways with fire-proof warehouses extending parallel with and beyond the belt line tracks.

Insurance Against Accidents in the Iron Trades of Great Britain.

The employers of England have been casting about for some method of protecting or insuring themselves against the possible effect of the action of the Employers' Liability Act. The Iron Trade Employers' Association have adopted a plan that may be of interest to this country. This is a system of mutual assurance, based upon certain data that have been collected and arranged and the premiums calculated by an eminent actuary. The result has been the fixing of lower rates of insurance than the regular companies offer. The actuary judged from his data that the rate of accidents among the class of men insured was not so great as among the general public, and, further, that the expenses of administration would be reduced to a minimum. The returns were obtained from members of the association, employers of 30,000 workmen in the different departments of the engineering, shipbuilding, iron-founding and machine-making trades. This is the actuary's summary: "From these returns it appears that in the three years 1877-80, among employees numbering 29,430, there were 39 fatal accidents, or 13 per annum; 2002 minor accidents, or 667 per annum. Number exposed to risk in three years, 88,290. One death in 2263; one minor accident in 44."

A period of three years has been taken to test the soundness of the conclusions arrived at, and then the premiums may be reduced if found more than sufficient to meet claims made under the act. At present the premiums stand as follows: Class A, machinists, 2/ per cent. upon the amount of wages paid annually. Class B, engineers generally, founders, millwrights, tool makers, locomotive makers, marine engineers, boiler makers, &c., 3/ per cent. upon the amount of wages paid annually. Class C, shipbuilders, 4/ per cent. upon the amount of wages paid annually. These rates are founded upon a consideration of returns of accidents in the three years 1877-80.

Holland's submarine torpedo ram has disappeared from its former anchorage near Bay Ridge, L. I., and a farmer living thereabout expresses the opinion that she may be somewhere on the dry docks "bein' constructed into a cast-iron watermelon." She is popularly supposed to represent a bad investment of Fenian funds. As the farmer says, "She don't submarine fur a cent."

METALLURGICAL NOTES.

THE FLUID DENSITY OF METALS.

In a paper by Prof. W. C. Robertson and Mr. T. Wrightson, read before Section C of the British Association, the authors described their experiments on the fluid density of metals, made in continuation of those submitted at the Swansea meeting of the association. Some time since one of the authors gave an account of the results of experiments made to determine the density of metallic silver, and of certain alloys of silver and copper when in a molten state. The method adopted was that devised by Mr. R. Mallet, and the details were as follows: A conical vessel of best thin Lowmoor plate (1 millimeter thick), about 16 centimeters in height, and having an internal volume of about 540 cubic centimeters, was weighed, first empty, and subsequently when filled with distilled water at a known temperature. The necessary data were thus afforded for accurately determining its capacity at the temperature of the air. Molten silver was then poured into it, the temperature at the time of pouring being ascertained by the calorimetric method. The precautions, as regards filling, pointed out by Mr. Mallet, were adopted; and as soon as the metal was quite cold, the cone with its contents was again weighed. Experiments were also made on the density of fluid bismuth; and two distinctive determinations gave the following results:

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The invention of the oncosimeter, which was described by one of the authors in the *Journal of the Iron and Steel Institute* (No. II, 1879, p. 418), appeared to afford an opportunity for resuming the investigation on a new basis, more especially as the delicacy of the instrument had already been proved by experiments on a considerable scale for determining the density of fluid cast iron. The following is the principle on which this instrument acts: If a spherical ball of any metal be plunged below the surface of a molten bath of the same or another metal, the cold ball will displace its own volume of molten metal. If the densities of the cold and molten metal be the same, there will be equilibrium, and no floating or sinking effect will be exhibited. If the density of the cold

is greater than that of the molten metal, there will be a sinking effect, and if less, a floating effect when first immersed. As the temperature of the submerged ball rises, the volume of the displaced liquid will increase or decrease according as the ball expands or contracts. In order to register these changes the ball is hung on a spiral spring, and the slightest change in buoyancy causes an elongation or contraction of this spring which can be read off on a scale of ounces, and is recorded by a pencil on a revolving drum. A diagram is thus traced out, the ordinates of which represent increments of volume, or, in other words, of weight of fluid displaced—the zero line, or line corresponding to a ball in a liquid of equal density, being previously traced out by revolving the drum without attaching the ball of metal itself to the spring, but with all other auxiliary attachments. By means of a simple adjustment the ball is kept constantly depressed to the same extent below the surface of the liquid; and the ordinate of this pencil line, measuring from the line of equilibrium, thus gives an exact measure of the floating or sinking effect at every stage of temperature, from the cold solid to the state when the ball begins to melt. If the weight and specific gravity of the ball be taken when cold, there are obtained, with the ordinate on the diagram at the moment of immersion, sufficient data for determining the density of the fluid metal; for

$$W = \frac{W^1 \times (W^1 + x)}{W^1 - x}$$

the volumes being equal. And remembering that

W (weight of liquid) = W^1 (weight of ball + x) (where x is always measured a + or - ve floating effect), there is obtained the equation:

$$D = \frac{W^1 \times (W^1 + x)}{W^1 - x}$$

The results obtained with metallic silver are perhaps the most interesting, mainly from the fact that the metal melts at a high temperature, which was determined with great care by the illustrious physicist and metallurgist the late Henri St. Claire Deville, whose latest experiments led him to fix the melting point at 940° C. The authors of the paper showed that the density of the fluid metal was 9.51, as compared with 10.57, the density of the solid metal. Taking their result generally, it is found that the change of volume of the following metals, in passing from the solid to the liquid state, may be thus stated:

| Metal. | Specific Gravity, Solid. | Specific Gravity, Liquid. | Percentage of Change. |
|------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|
| Bismuth. | 9.89 | 10.055 | Decrease of volume 2.3 |
| Copper. | 8.9 | 8.517 | Increase " 7.1 |
| Lead... | 11.4 | 10.37 | " 0.93 |
| Tin... | 7.5 | 7.025 | " 6.76 |
| Zinc.... | 7.2 | 6.48 | " 11.10 |
| Silver.... | 10.57 | 9.51 | " 11.20 |
| Iron.... | 6.92 | 6.88 | " 1.02 |

SEPARATION OF MINERALS OF EQUAL SPECIFIC GRAVITY.

In separating ores of various descriptions from each other and from the adhering gangues by means of water, it is the specific gravity of these substances, when reduced to equal sizes, that causes their final separation. For, when subjected to a current of water upon an inclined plane, the heaviest substances will be deposited at its top, while those of less specific gravity will be swept away, as is the case in washing ores; or when dropped in a column of water, the heavier ore will fall quicker to the bottom, while the lighter stuff is kept in suspension for a longer time and settles down more slowly; as is the case in jiggling machines. Whenever there are two substances of equal size and specific weight, such a separation cannot, however, take place, because they will always be moved with equal speed. This happens, for instance, with the sulphide of zinc or blonde, and with the sulphide of iron or iron pyrites; for both ores have about the same gravity. As a mixture of them has very little commercial value, and a separation by means of water is not practicable, other processes have been invented for this purpose. Thus magnets have been used for the extraction of the pyrites, after it has been converted into magnetic iron pyrites by roasting of the ore mixture with an addition of carbonaceous substances. Another process, which is still more simple and efficient, was lately devised by director F. Büttgenbach of the Lintorf Lead Mines, near Düsseldorf. The very productive ledges of these mines yield a mixture of lead ore, galena, iron pyrites and blonde, accompanied by quartz, limestone and bituminous shale. Upon the very perfect machinery of the Lintorf ore-dressing mill all other substances are thoroughly separated from each other, with the exception of certain sizes of pyrites and blonde, which are too small for hand-picking. As the specific weight cannot be utilized for the separation of these, Mr. Büttgenbach has hit upon the excellent idea to make the differences of cohesion in the two minerals available for their separation, for blonde is much softer and can be more easily crushed than pyrites. For the purpose, Mr. Büttgenbach employs the Vapart centrifugal disintegrator, the reducing action of which can be so nicely regulated that the blends can be reduced to sand and the pyrites left intact. The first trials with a Vapart disintegrator No. II showed that, with 600 revolutions a minute, the pyrites were too much broken up; the same happened with 450, but with 225 too much blonde remained unbroken, while with 325 revolutions the blonde ore was almost perfectly reduced to fine sand, and the grains of pyrites 10 mm. or 6 mm. in size, kept their volume, so that both could be easily separated by simply passing them over a sieve. This simple operation is a great commercial success, as it enhances the value of a substance which was almost valueless because it was too poor for an ore of zinc, and too impure for the burning kilns of chemical works. The blonde sand, which contains from 50 to 55 per cent. of zinc, is now worth about £4 a ton, and the grains of pyrites separated from it sell easily at 12/ a

ton. The process answers equally well for all sizes, from 25 mm. to 4 mm., and one Vapart apparatus is capable of separating from 2½ to 3 tons an hour.

METALLURGY OF NICKEL.

Describing the nickel and cobalt extracts at the recent German Exhibition of Patents and Designs, Dr. Kollmann says: It is only within a few years, since the discovery of pure malleable and weldable nickel by Dr. Th. Fleitmann, that nickel has entered the ranks of those metals which are technically employed on a large scale. Previously only the alloys of nickel with copper and other metals could be easily wrought, while pure nickel could neither be hammered nor rolled. The reason of this was that pure nickel absorbs (occludes) gases while melted (Fleitmann thinks it is carbonic oxide), and the nickel cannot be worked until these gases are removed. Fleitmann's process for making nickel malleable consists in adding a very small trace, only one-twentieth of a per cent. of magnesium, which is introduced in the form of a bar into the liquid nickel while in the crucible. This small percentage of metallic magnesium renders this brittle metal perfectly malleable, and it can even be welded. Magnesium is well known to oxidize very easily (at high temperatures) and hence serves to remove these injurious gases. The extraordinary technical importance of the new discovery (which is already patented in all countries) is evident at once. Formerly alloys with comparatively only a little nickel could be used, say, for coin. The German 10 pfennig pieces (like the American 5-cent piece) contain only 25 per cent. of nickel to 75 of copper. Now, on the other hand, we can have pure nickel cast in any desired shape, and also forge it and roll it like iron or steel. We may, indeed, assume with tolerable certainty that if Fleitmann's method had been known ten years ago, we Germans would not have been pestered with our unhandy little 10 pfennig silver coins, for much more convenient ones could have been stamped from pure malleable nickel. Pure nickel, in addition to its malleability, possesses the great advantage that it does not lose its luster in moist air and is unaffected by organic acids, while its alloys, we know too well, gradually lose their luster and turn reddish.

Fleitmann, in his very interesting investigation, also made the discovery that pure nickel treated with a very little magnesium becomes weldable just like iron, and upon this he founded a method of welding nickel to iron. This discovery has gained very considerable importance, since we are now able to weld plates of nickel on both sides of the iron or steel, instead of merely depositing it on a thin coating by electricity. The question of welding, which is not yet settled in the metallurgy of iron for Bessemer metal, for example, may perhaps be solved in a manner similar to that in which Fleitmann solved it for nickel. Its importance technically and economically can hardly be overestimated. Nickel made by the new process with magnesium has a resemblance to carbureted malleable iron. Dr. Kollmann describes a series of tests of strength with Fleitmann's nickel, made by himself, which led to a surprising result, namely, that the elasticity as well as the absolute strength corresponds exactly with those of medium hard Bessemer steel. The expansion by rolling and forging of the two metals is the same, so that they can be rolled together. He then gives some of the numerical results of his tests, which we omit, but they go to show that the physical properties of nickel and iron are very analogous, so that the thought arises that perhaps nickel is, after all, only an allotrope of iron. Since nickel and steel expand equally, blocks of nickel can be welded on both sides of an ingot of steel, and the whole rolled out into sheets of any desired thickness already covered with nickel. Iron wire, covered with nickel, could be drawn out just like ordinary wire. Another advantage is that the welding as well as the melting temperature of steel and nickel is close together, so that the nickelized steel can be welded as before. Cobalt can be rendered malleable and weldable in the same manner, i.e., by the addition of a little magnesium. Fleitmann has also discovered that not only can nickel and cobalt be welded on steel and iron, so as to form nickel-plated wire and sheets, but that it can be welded on to the alloys of copper and nickel, which can be rolled at a very high temperature. In this operation the metals to be welded are surrounded with thin sheet iron, which is afterward dissolved off, or is heated in an air-tight apparatus. In this way, too, sheet iron can be combined with alloys of copper and nickel by welding. To prevent articles made of nickelized steel or iron from rusting on the cut surfaces, the iron beneath is dissolved away at the edges with dilute acids, and the projecting nickel then hammered down and welded over it. In Birmingham, H. Wiggin makes nickel malleable by adding 2 to 5 per cent. manganese.

FURNACE SLAG FOR MINE PILLARS.

Dingler's Polytechnic Journal says that when furnaces are situated in the vicinity of mine shafts, it has been found highly profitable to utilize their slag by substituting it for the pillars of coal which were allowed to stand to support the roof and overhead rock. The slag is run into iron cars having moveable sides, from which it is taken to cooling grounds, where it is finally broken up after solidifying. The slags are relatively hard or porous, according as they are single or compound silicates, which depends upon the working of the furnace. The broken material is then taken into the mine to be used whenever necessary. Experience at the furnace Gräfin Laura has shown that, while for every 100 kg. of coal mined, about 1.85 p. was expended for timber, the use of slag reduced this item to 1.02 p. During the last quarter of 1879-80, the additional product of coal amounted to 17,656 tons replaced by furnace slag, and the cost of production, 30,305.53 marks, which makes, per cwt. mined, 8.59 p., against 13.55 p., as formerly. One hundred c. m. of loose slag gives 80 c. m. of material, which packs and hardens as soon as put in place, and is then ready to bear the pressure of the superincumbent material. A final shrinkage of about 1/2 per cent. occurs in the first year after being put in place, which,

however, is inconsiderable. The use of the slag for this purpose, moreover, reduces the expense of carting it to dumping grounds, which latter also are expensive, on account of the purchase money sunk in them. Besides this, all land damage, by settling of the mine, is avoided, as sufficient material can always be utilized to provide against accident. Another important point is that no fire can occur in the exhausted part of a mine, for no combustible material may remain, all of it being replaced by slag. The small shrinkage of the slag prevents settlement, as well as all cracks, which frequently admit large quantities of water, becoming very troublesome.

British Iron Exports.

The *Colliery Guardian* says: There are some indications of change in the export iron trade that are well worth attention. In the first place, there has been for the greater part of this year a decided declension from the immense quantities of raw iron that were sent to the United States a year or so ago. It is also certain that that country has taken a much larger share of steel rails and of Bessemer blooms this year. But there are signs that there will be more crude iron sent soon. The prices of pig iron in the markets of the United States have risen just as the stocks of imported iron in the stores at the ports have fallen, and as there has not been as yet any corresponding increase in the prices in this country, it may be at once said that it will be more profitable to export iron, and more will, in consequence, be exported to the United States. This increase of trade with the United States is one of the triumphs of the British iron manufacturer, for it can be said to be nothing less for him to be able to make iron here, send it to that distant country, and, despite the heavy duty imposed on its entrance, to undersell the producer there. It is becoming clear that the ultimate effect of the duties that have of late been so much in favor in foreign countries is only to raise prices there until it becomes profitable to import iron, and the latter is then the means of checking the further increase of prices. This is what has been done, and is being done in the United States. And as it is probable that the same thing will be known in other districts, it may be that it will lead to a larger export of pig iron to countries in Europe that are forcing up prices in this abnormal method.

Hence, there is some possibility of a further growth of our trade in crude iron, and that apart from any increase that may arise from its use for steel-producing purposes. And, concurrently, it may be expected that any large increase in the exports would lead to the increase of the price here, but it might also lead to an increase so great as to check the growth in the trade, as was the case two years ago. Indeed, at the present time, the symptoms in the trade are somewhat similar to those of that time, when the demand set in from the United States. It will be remembered that a demand arose for crude iron, as well as for old rails, &c., and that such vast quantities were sent that the markets in America were glutted, and prices that had risen so rapidly fell as rapidly. In the time that has elapsed, there has been, first, a material reduction in the stocks of pig iron in the hands of brokers and others in the United States, and there has also been a reduction of the output of pig iron in most of the producing countries. The latter is inevitable from the lowness of prices, and until there is a rise in prices, it is tolerably certain that that reduction in the output will be continued. Both these indicate a probability of scarcity of iron, and as the demand for it continues as large, it may be assumed that the present time shows the most likelihood of a change. There is again a demand for old rails and other forms of scrap iron, and, as we have seen, there is an increase in the price of Cleveland and other imported irons in the United States. If these continue for a few weeks more the effect will begin to be evident—evident in the increase of shipments from this country to the United States, and evident possibly also in the higher rates at which they are charged here.

Meantime, another change is less forcibly shown, but it is surely to be seen in the returns of the Board of Trade. That is the enlarged area over which we distribute our pig iron. At one time, we exported crude iron only in small quantities, and then the shipments to Belgium and Germany especially rose. We now send fair quantities to these countries, and we also send an enlarging shipment to other countries that were not wont to manufacture iron, and that now seem to be entering into that branch of the metallurgical industries with some rapidity. There are two views of this widening of the area of the manufacture. First,

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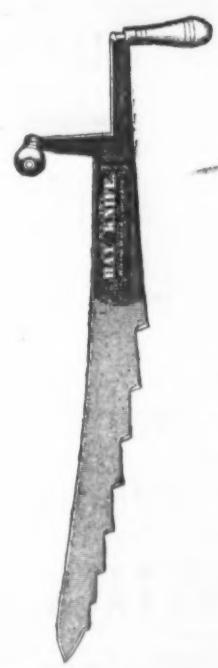
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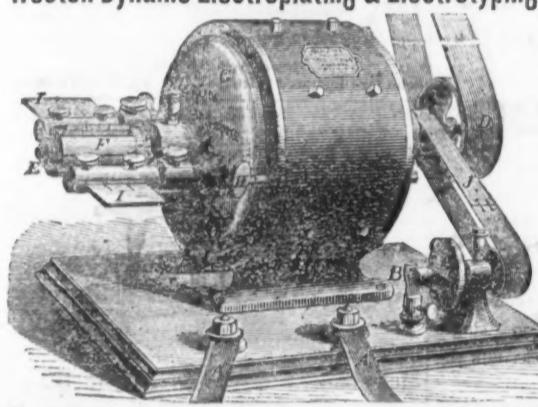
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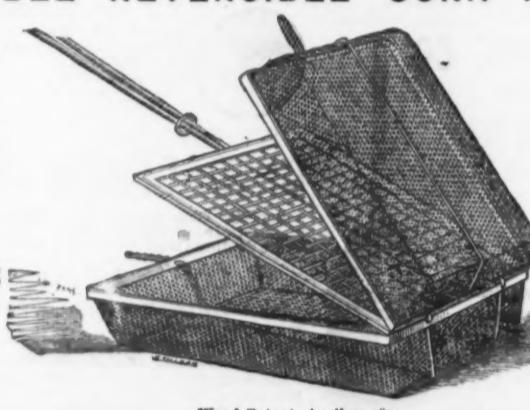
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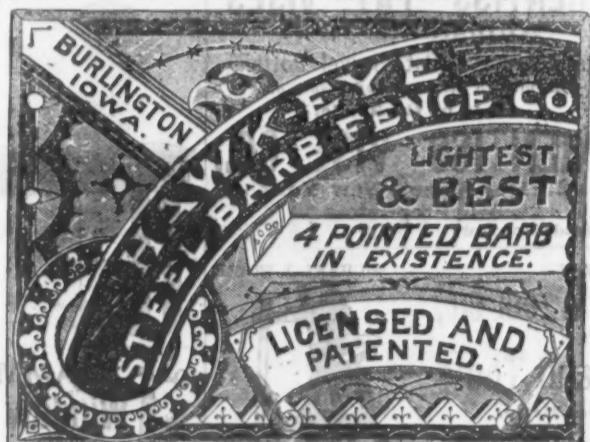
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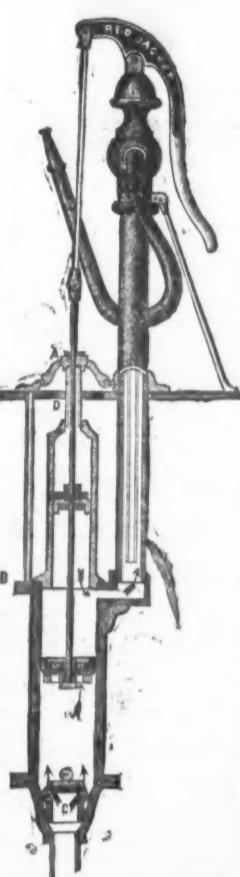


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VERMONT.

The Vermont Marble Company, at Sutherland, recently filled an order for ten steps for the Boyd Opera House, Omaha, Neb. The steps were 13 feet long, molded and polished edge, and were sent within three days after the receipt of order.

MASSACHUSETTS.

Robbins, Gamwell & Co. are putting the Parmlee automatic sprinklers for fire purposes into the Weston Paper Works, at Dalton, the North Pownal and Williamstown mills, the Arnold Print Works, Eagle Mill, Freeman Print Works and Beaver Mill, at the North Adams, and the Renfrew gingham mill, warp mill and others at Adams.

The order for the lappers for the Canoe River Mills, Taunton, has been given to the Whitehead & Atherton Machine Co., and the cards to the Mason Machine Works.

The Ames Company, of Chicopee, employ 550 men in their general manufacturing business, and have orders enough on hand to last a year. About 150 hands are employed in the sewing-machine department, which turns off 75 machines a day. The Sword Company employ 125 hands.

The Chase Turbine Mfg. Co., Holyoke, who often feel the need of greater motive power than they are furnished by water, have put in a stationary engine of 20 horse-power, from Kendall & Roberts' manufactory, Cambridgeport, Mass.

The Washburn Car Wheel Works, Worcester, are putting in six new steel furnaces and otherwise improving the works.

The Holyoke Water Power Company are making a number of improvements in the work of testing turbine wheels, one of the most important being the use of an electric clock in the flume, which saves the services of the man who announced the time. Several wheels are tested every week, and the work will grow in importance as it becomes more and more necessary for the manufacturers to get perfect wheels.

VIRGINIA.

The Powhatan Furnace, at Richmond, which has been lying idle for some years, is about to be repaired and put in blast by the Reading Coal and Iron Co. This is a 50 x 13 1/2-foot stack, built for coke in 1860, and called the Westham Furnace. In 1873 it was rebuilt for anthracite. It has an open top, with water power blast, and a capacity of 9000 net tons. It will probably be run with coke. Mr. John Birkinbine is making plans for its reconstruction.

PENNSYLVANIA.

No. 2 furnace of the E. & G. Brooke Iron Co., at Birdsboro, chilled on the night of the 10th. A large force of men are at work digging her out, and she will be blown in again as soon as possible.

The machinery of the Keystone Tack Company, of Pottstown, consisting of twelve tack machines, a number of grindstones and other paraphernalia, has been sold to Eastern parties and is being shipped.

The rolling mill of Kimberly, Carnes & Co., in Greenville, is running double turn in all departments. The effort to establish another rolling mill there is meeting with success, and there is but little doubt that the enterprise will be started.

The 50 new coke ovens in course of construction at the Chicago and Connellsville works will be completed by the 1st of October. This will make 200 ovens in blast at these works.

At Wheatland, six of the 12 double puddling furnaces in the Wheatland mill have been put in shape to have the fires lighted in them. Workmen are engaged in rebuilding other portions of the mill, and present appearances indicate that the mill will be started soon.

Last week the Gaysport Foundry made their first casting in their foundry, having had that part of the extensive works repaired and in good working order. The new pattern shop and office building is put up.

A boiler exploded at the Keel Ridge Furnace of Kimberly, Carnes & Co., Sharon, on the 23d. The boiler was one of a battery of four that were used to supply the blowing engines. The cause of the explosion is not known. No injury was done to any of the employees except one man, whose arm was broken.

The Royal Flint Glass Works, at West Bridgewater, Beaver County, have been in active operation since August 25. They are working full time and have plenty of orders ahead.

The Scottsdale rolling mill has put down two large wells for water, but did not get a sufficient supply for their mill. Manager Everson is now having holes drilled through the rock, and expects to get sufficient streams to supply their demands. The wells are 15 feet square.—Keystone Courier.

Dispatches from Eastern are as follows: The buildings of the Lucy Furnace, near Easton, were burned on Sunday. Loss, \$100,000.

PITTSBURGH AND VICINITY.

The agitation about the high prices charged by the retail coal dealers is having a good effect, the price having been cut down one cent by all dealers supplied by the B. & O. and the A. V. railroads.

Oliver Bros. & Phillips will likely get their new bolt factory started next week. It is a large extension of their former large bolt works.

The Independent Glass Company's furnace is undergoing extensive repairs, and will be ready for use in about two weeks.

The Lewis Foundry and Machine Company, Limited, will get their new machine shop to work the latter part of this week or the beginning of next. Then they will have in operation some of the largest and best machinery in the country. The foundry and old machine shop are very busy on some large work.

Jones & Laughlin have just completed a large branch house in Chicago. The structure has 125,000 square feet of floor surface. Railroad tracks run into the building and give direct connection with the entire western and northwestern railroad system.

At the Apollo Rolling Mill of Laufman & Co. everything is running full. The puddling department started up double turn last week.

The new chimney house of Thomas Evans & Co., Eighteenth and Josephine streets, Southside, is now in full operation. This is one of the most complete factories of the kind in the country.

The Empire Plow Works, Allegheny, are busy, and running full time.

Thomas Coffin & Co., clay-pot manufacturers, are running full time and are very busy as usual.

The Leechburg Rolling Mill of Kirkpatrick & Co. is running full in all departments.

OHIO.

The Hubbard Rolling Mill is shut down on account of it being impossible to secure a sufficient amount of water to run the works.

The Laughlin Nail Mill, Martin's Ferry, is being rebuilt as fast as possible. Some 40 additional machines will be put in.

The Etna Machine Works, which located in Sharon, Pa., until their new buildings could be completed, have returned to Warren. The machine shop and foundry are each 50 by 100 feet, and built with a view to transact a large business.

The Volcano Furnace, at Massillon, which has been idle for several months, was again started in blast a few days ago.

The Long & Allstatter Company, Hamilton, recently made some shipments of very heavy punches and shears to the East. A 20-ton double shear was sent to the Gautier Steel Works, Johnstown, Pa.; another went to the Dexter Spring Company, at Hulton, Pa.; one to Richmond, Ind., and another to Canton, all of the above within a few days of each other. They have orders now ahead for the next four months.

A large number of the Hocking Valley furnaces are banked up from a variety of causes. The stoppages are only temporary, however, all having orders ahead at good prices, and no unsold orders on hand.

Madison Furnace, in Jackson County, has changed back from cold-blast to hot-blast, and is now running on No. 1 foundry iron.

The Girard Iron Company, Niles, has leased the Thomas Furnace Company's furnace for a term of years. It will be run in connection with the Girard Furnace.

Alice Furnace was to go into blast last Wednesday.

The Cuyahoga Works, of Cleveland, have just completed three of their 2000-pound steam helle hammers for the Lake Erie Iron Company. These hammers are especially adapted to forging the heavy pats of car axles now so generally used by railroad companies, and will be set up in the new forge now being built in the eastern part of the city.

ILLINOIS.

The Northwestern File Company, of Chicago, are running to their fullest capacity, which they find is not adequate to the demand, and will, on that account, shortly remove to more commodious quarters.

The Chicago Rawhide Belting Company are manufacturing in the neighborhood of 10,000 feet of belting per week. They have supplied all the belting used at the Interstate Industrial Exposition, now being held in Chicago; also all the belting for the Mechanics' Exposition at Boston, Mass., and are sending heavy shipments to the New England States.

Messrs. John Davis & Co., Chicago, in addition to their contract to supply heating apparatus for the City Hall and Court House in Chicago, have also the contracts for their heating system to the Insane Asylum at Anna; St. Mary's College, Ind., and some large contracts for Milwaukee. They report they are driven to their utmost capacity.

The Peter Devine Boiler Works report having orders ahead for the next three months; they are now completing the large suction pipe to be used in the water works system of the town of Lake, and manufacturing several large boilers for the Insane Asylum at Kankakee. They employ at present about 100 men, and will shortly increase that number.

The addition of new machinery to the establishment of Robert W. Gardner, manufacturer of the Gardner compensation governor, at Quincy, has increased its capacity to 6000 governors per annum. Yet Mr. Gardner expects to erect new works which will enable him to double this output. He now employs about 100 men.

The Hercules Iron Works, of Chicago, have just completed the fourth set of linseed oil machinery, built under A. B. Lawther's patent. They are also building considerable machinery of the same class for various oil mills. They are now adding to their facilities by building an improved cylinder boring machine. The works, in addition to the machinery mentioned, have just completed a compressed brick machine of large capacity.

Channon, Emery & Co., stove manufacturers, of Quincy, are turning out about 70 stoves per day. They run a force of 60 hands, and occupy extensive buildings.

Williams, White & Co., of Moline, are having a considerable demand for their arch-bar bending machines and drop presses. They have recently received for the former an order from Gardner & Sons, Carlisle, Pa., and another from the Knoxville Iron Co., of Knoxville, Tenn.

The annealing room of the Malleable Iron Works, at Elgin, was burned on the 22d.

The places of the strikers in the nail factory of the Calumet Iron and Steel Company's Works, at Irondale, are all filled. The works are running double turn, and the company are at present refusing orders for present and short time delivery.

The Excelsior Stove Works, of Quincy, report a prosperous business, and are now two months at least behind their orders. They have recently built a considerable addition to their foundry. Their consumption of iron is about 1000 tons a year.

The nail forging machine which the Northwestern Horse Nail Company have been experimenting on for some time, has proven a success. The new machines are in process of construction.

The Moline Malleable Iron Works, at Moline, have just completed a building which will be used as a depository of patterns, in order to protect them from fire. These works now employ fully 100 men, and are rushed with business.

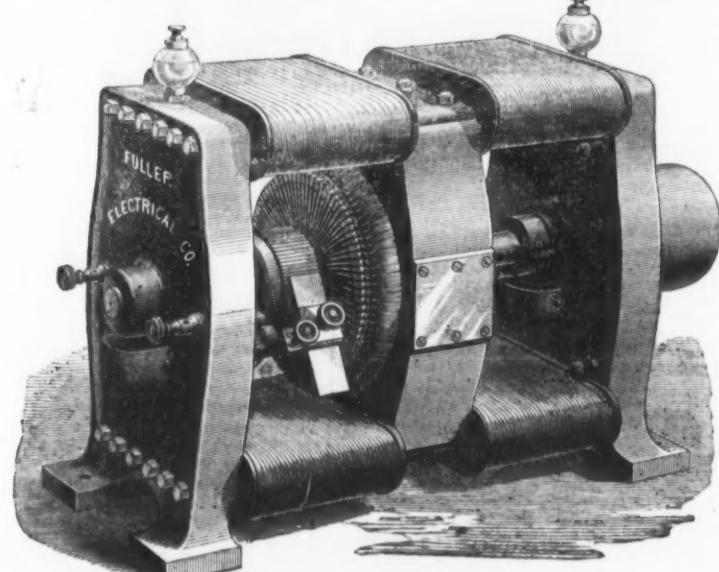
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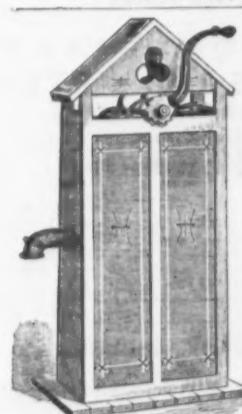
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Morrison Bros., manufacturers of plows, at Fort Madison, have recently made some important additions to their works. A new addition, 145 by 55 feet, two stories and basement, brick, has been erected. This building is to be devoted to wood and iron-working machinery. They have also erected another addition, 40 by 40 feet, which is to be used as a setting up shop. They manufacture sulky plows, harrows, road scrapers and railroad grading plows. The demand for the latter is constantly increasing. The entire works when completed will occupy an area of 250 by 145 feet.

The Western Whel Scraper Co., of Mt. Pleasant, during the past summer have placed a new 40 horse-power boiler and a new engine in their establishment and have built an extensive addition to their works. They are full of orders, and report sales this year double those of any former one. A new drag or road scraper, which they are manufacturing, is meeting with an extensive sale.

The Hawkeye Steel Barb Fence Co., of Burlington, manufacturers of the Hawkeye lock binding barb wire, now employ 25 men on full time. They have this season added six new barbing machines to their works. The capacity of the establishment is about 10 tons a day.

The Comstock Scale Works, of Mt. Pleasant, are enjoying a prosperous business, and have recently been compelled to increase their capacity by the addition of new machinery.

TENNESSEE.

Work on the Warner Furnace, Hickman County, is progressing rapidly. Large quantities of coal and ore are in readiness, and the furnace will be put in blast early in November.

KENTUCKY.

Pennsylvania Furnace, which was compelled to stop on account of the great scarcity of water and to put in a new hearth, will probably go into blast next Monday. She has about 500 loads of charcoal on hand and some 600 yet to come in, and has on the bank some 3000 tons of ore, and is daily receiving more.

GEORGIA.

Hermitage Furnace is doing well, and is making about 15 tons a day cold-blast charcoal iron.

There are now on the line of the Selma, Rome and Dalton Railroad nine charcoal furnaces making car-wheel iron, where a year ago there were but five in operation. They report no difficulty, however, in securing a ready market for their iron at good prices.

ALABAMA.

The Bibb Iron Works Company, in Bibb County, are putting a new hearth in their furnace. They have been producing about 15 tons a day, strictly cold-blast charcoal iron. The company have been improving the plant largely, building dwelling and stock houses, &c. They own 9000 acres of ore and timber lands in Bibb County. Messrs. Rogers, Brown & Co., of Cincinnati, are sales agents.

MISSOURI.

The Standard Stamping Company and the Standard Tool Company are the names of two new companies recently organized in St. Louis. The former propose to engage in the manufacture of all kinds of stamped and japanned ware, and the latter will manufacture railroad, mining and similar tools, and small forgings.

The Burlington Cutlery Company, at Burlington, established last June for the manufacture of table and butchers' cutlery, are turning out their products in large quantities, and are yet 60 days behind their orders. They employ 25 men, and occupy large and substantial buildings. They have recently made important additions to their machinery which will materially increase their capacity.

MICHIGAN.

We are informed that the charcoal blast furnace at Caseville, belonging to the Lake Huron Iron Company, has been obliged to stop operations, owing to a large quantity of their cord wood having been destroyed by the late fire. The wood having been chopped, was waiting transportation, but before it could be secured was destroyed.

The following table from the Marquette Mining Journal, exhibits, in gross tons, the total lake shipments of iron ore the present season, up to and including Sept. 7, together with the amount shipped during the corresponding period last year:

| Where from. | 1880. | 1881. |
|-------------|---------|---------|
| Escanaba | 83,125 | 99,054 |
| Marquette | 45,931 | 56,113 |
| L'Anse | 38,463 | 36,864 |
| Total | 137,516 | 156,027 |

An increase of 230,000 gross tons. In addition to this there was shipped pig iron, ore and quartz, as follows:

| IRON. | 1880. | 1881. |
|------------------------------------|--------|--------|
| Carp River Iron Co.'s furnaces | 5,472 | 5,472 |
| Total pig iron | 6,399 | 6,399 |
| QUARTZ. | | |
| Carp River Iron Company | 3,777 | 3,777 |
| Ore to local points | 16,793 | 26,266 |
| Total ore, pig and iron and quartz | 26,266 | 26,266 |

An experiment recently made with greasy rags to determine the degree of their inflammability, demonstrated that cotton rags saturated with boiled linseed oil and placed in a box at a temperature of 170° F., became heated to 340 degrees, and took fire in an hour and a quarter. In another experiment cotton saturated with crude oil, and kept in a room of the same temperature, ignited within five or six hours. Rapeseed oil caused ignition in ten hours. In a room at 120° F., cotton mixed with a little olive oil burned in six hours. Castor oil required more than 24 hours, while oil only four hours, and fish oil two hours. Spermaceti oil, free from glycerine, did not ignite at all; neither did heavy tar, coal tar or slate oils.

The Railroad Gazette records the construction of 239 miles of new railroad, making 4474 miles this year, against 3539 miles reported at the corresponding time in 1880, 2064 miles in 1879, 1245 miles in 1878, 1335 miles in 1877, 1509 miles in 1876, 761 miles in 1875, 1082 miles in 1874, 2691 miles in 1873, and 4765 miles in 1872. This year would probably have exceeded already the great mileage of 1872 had not the severe winter and late spring prevented railroad work from making any progress during nearly four months of the year.

The conventional and traditional style of architecture which gave to Philadelphia the monotony of white steps and green shutters, is fast being superseded by a more modern and costly one. The people are said to like it, and the novelty is so great that architects' offices are overrun with orders for the most elaborate, and at the same time most substantial, sort of edifices.

LABOR AND WAGES.

The Cincinnati strike continues and is nearing the close of its fourth month, and with no prospect of either party surrendering.

The small boys of the Zanesville (O.) bottle glass works struck last week for an advance of 50 cents per week on their wages. They held out for about one hour.

The Knoxville (Tenn.) mill is still running, the Amalgamated to the contrary notwithstanding.

How to Render Wood Fire-proof.—Mr. P. Folbary, of this city, has devised a method of making wood incombustible without, in any way, altering its outward appearance. Wood prepared in accordance with his process may possibly be charred just at the surface, but the heat to which it is exposed, though ever so intense, can never penetrate right into the wood and touch its fibers. Timber petrified in this way is particularly suitable for staircases that are to resist a conflagration. The composition devised by the inventor is as follows: 55 pounds of sulphate of zinc, 22 pounds of potash, 44 pounds of alum, 22 pounds of sesquioxide of manganese, 22 pounds of sulphuric acid at 60 degrees, and 54 pounds of water. The whole of the solid substances are put into an iron vessel containing at a temperature of 112° F. When all this solid matter is dissolved, the sulphuric acid is poured in slowly until the whole is saturated with it. The solution is now ready, and, in order to prepare timber with it, the pieces must be put on an iron grate in a suitable recipient, in accordance with the size of the pieces and the object for which they are intended, care being taken to leave half an inch between any two pieces. The composition is pumped into the recipient, and, after the whole of the spaces have been filled up, it is left there in a boiling state for three hours. The wood is then taken out and placed on a grate-like wooden stand in the open air to make it dry and firm. When thus prepared, the impregnated wood may be used for shipbuilding and building in general, for railway carriages, scaffolding, posts, wooden pavements, and generally for all purposes, while it is desirable that the material should be able to resist fire.

Exports from San Francisco.—Following is a statement of the values and destinations of the merchandise and produce exports from San Francisco by sea during the month of August and for the first eight months of the year:

| | August. | months. |
|--|-------------|--------------|
| New York..... | \$577,700 | \$7,786,100 |
| Great Britain..... | 2,502,100 | 14,592,900 |
| Belgium..... | 7,800 | 970,200 |
| Germany..... | 2,700 | 30,800 |
| France..... | 234,000 | 688,600 |
| Hawaiian Islands..... | 277,200 | 1,526,600 |
| Brazil, Columbia..... | 1,100 | 1,100 |
| Mexico..... | 121,100 | 1,957,700 |
| China and Hong Kong..... | 364,300 | 3,741,600 |
| Japan..... | 35,000 | 354,000 |
| Peru..... | 200 | 14,000 |
| Other South American ports..... | 7,900 | 61,100 |
| Argentina..... | 95,100 | 541,700 |
| New Zealand..... | 12,100 | 113,000 |
| Society Islands..... | 65,500 | 231,300 |
| Philippine Islands..... | 4,000 | 35,800 |
| Other Pacific Islands..... | 65,600 | 498,500 |
| Panama..... | 23,000 | 123,300 |
| Siberia..... | 116,500 | |
| Totals..... | \$4,603,300 | \$29,767,600 |
| In 1880..... | 2,953,100 | 10,464,300 |
| Increase in 1881..... | \$2,550,200 | \$10,303,300 |
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Trade Report.

Office of THE IRON AGE,

WEDNESDAY EVENING, Sept. 28, 1881.

The depressing influences of President Garfield's death, the observance of the Hebrew holidays and the unseasonable heat, have not been without their effect in trade circles. Business has been interrupted, but the causes operating were recognized as of a transient nature, giving no indications of permanent derangement. Values throughout have been firmly maintained. First in importance among new elements entering into business calculations is the programme of Secretary Windom, announced on Saturday, the effect of which was to stimulate purchases of securities on the Stock Exchange at the highest prices of the week.

The following circular has just been issued by H. F. French, Acting Secretary of the Treasury, for redemption of bonds of the loan of July 17 and August 5, 1861 (10th call), continued at 3½ per cent. from July 1, 1881.

By virtue of the authority conferred by law upon the Secretary of the Treasury, notice is hereby given that the principal and accrued interest of the bonds herein below designated will be paid at the Treasury of the United States, in the City of Washington, D. C., on the 24th day of December, 1881, and that the interest on said bonds will cease on that day, viz.:

Registered bonds of the acts of July 17 and August 5, 1861, continued during the pleasure of the government under the terms of circular No. 142, dated April 11, 1881, to bear interest at the rate of 3½ per cent. per annum from July 1, 1881, as follows:

\$50, No. 1749 to No. 1810, both inclusive.

\$100, No. 12,431 to No. 12,700, both inclusive.

United States bonds at the close were:

Bid. Asked.
U. S. 4½'s 1861 registered..... 113½ 113½
U. S. 4½'s 1861 coupon..... 113½ 113½
U. S. 4½'s 1867 registered..... 116½ 116½
U. S. 4½'s 1867 coupon..... 117½ 117½
U. S. Currency as 1865..... 130 —
U. S. Currency as 1866..... 131 —
U. S. Currency as 1867..... 132 —
U. S. Currency as 1868..... 133 —
U. S. Currency as 1869..... 134 —
Sixes continued..... 100½ 100½
Fives continued..... 101½ 101½
Total, \$20,000,000.

The following is an analysis of the bank totals of this week compared with that of last week:

| Sept. 19. | Sept. 24. | Comparison |
|----------------------------------|---------------|----------------|
| Loans..... \$335,625,800 | \$332,672,300 | Dec. \$93,500 |
| Specie..... 65,079,700 | 64,984,400 | Dec. 95,800 |
| Legal T'drs..... 14,641,500 | 15,037,200 | Inc. 495,400 |
| Deposits..... 307,479,500 | 314,317,300 | Dec. 4,232,200 |
| Reserve required..... 79,187,375 | 75,379,325 | Dec. 608,050 |
| Surplus..... 454,125 | 4,166,275 | Inc. 1,008,190 |
| Circulation..... 19,785,800 | 19,765,200 | Dec. 20,000 |

MINING STOCKS.

The closing quotations for mining stocks are as follows:

| Bid. Asked. |
|--------------------------------------|
| Amite..... 6.00 5.50 |
| Altoona..... 6.00 5.50 |
| Alta Mtn..... 2.00 2.00 |
| Bechtel..... 5.00 5.00 |
| Bell Isle..... 14. — |
| Bodie..... 7.00 8.50 |
| Buckeye..... 9 — |
| Bulwer..... 2.50 3.00 |
| Benton..... 1.50 1.50 |
| Bell Dore..... 1.40 1.50 |
| Bonanza C..... 1.50 — |
| Boulder..... 21 — |
| Boston C..... 11 — |
| Big Pittsburgh..... 1.20 — |
| Bradshaw..... 90 95 |
| Calaveras..... 15 — |
| Cherokee..... 1.35 — |
| Eureka C..... 27.50 27.50 |
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28¢; Braziers, 26¢ @ 32¢, as to size and weight; Circles, 29¢ @ 32¢; Sheets, 26¢ and 28¢; Sheathing, 24¢, and Bolt Copper, 26¢.

Tin.—Our market maintains its strong position, and prices are gradually moving up in London and the East Indies likewise. The former has advanced with Straits to £5, cash, spot, and £6. 10¢ for afloats, with an active demand and upward tendency. Singapore cables a parity of 22½¢. About 250 tons have been sold during the week in a wholesale way at 21½¢ for Straits, and besides this the jobbing demand is good. We quote at the close, large lines: Straits, 21½¢; Australian, 21½¢, and Billiton, 21½¢. Mr. Emile Herold, New York, has just received a dispatch calling the London market excited, Straits and Malacca offering from there at £98. 10¢, cost, freight and insurance. Tin Plates have remained unaltered, but in a jobbing way there is a fair amount of activity. We quote large lines, ordinary brass per box: Charcoal Bright, \$5.75 @ \$5.87½; dull Terne, \$5.25 @ \$5.37½; Coke Tin, \$5 @ \$5.10, and ditto Terne, \$5. Liverpool cables Coke Tin 15/6 and firm. Production is too great, and consumption is not fully capable of coping with it. Thus the stock was diminished some 300,000 boxes in the short space of three months on the other side; yet this has had no effect on prices, but just steadied the market and no more. In the face of these facts, there is no disposition on the part of consumers at this point to increase their holdings. Yet it cannot be denied that Tin Plates at present rates are cheap, comparatively speaking.

Lead.—This metal is forcibly kept inactive by virtue of its extreme scarcity, which will continue for some weeks to come; meanwhile, consumption is enormous all along. The couple of hundred tons Common Domestic sold brought 5½¢ @ 5½¢; the asking price at the close is 5½¢ @ 5½¢. There is no Refined Lead here; it costs \$5.45 to lay it down here from the West. Consumers think that at such rates they may as well order it from Europe. Mr. Emile Herold, New York, received cablegram from London, dated September 26, when the Lead market was advancing on the other side under the stimulus of greater activity, English and Spanish Pig being wired £15. 5/6, cost, freight and insurance, against £14. 7/6, the lowest previous point this year. Manufacturers are quoted as follows: Sheet Lead, 12½¢; Lead Pipe, 7¢; Tin-lined ditto, 15¢; Tin Ditto, 35¢; Drop Shot, 7¢.

Spelter and Zinc.—Domestic Spelter remains featureless; the trade doing therein is of a dragging kind, and we cannot quote it any better than 5½¢ @ 5½¢, and Silesian, 5½¢ @ 5½¢. Nothing of interest is reported with reference to the metal from Europe. Sheet Zinc now sells at 7½¢.

Antimony.—The business transacting is of a jobbing nature merely, but the market remains steady at 14½¢ for Cookson, and 14¢ other brands.

COAL.

In no respect is the condition of the Coal market changed, compared with one week ago, excepting that we are nearer to the return of periodic activity. In common with other trades, Coal has experienced a slight check, from external causes, but it is believed that no change, either in prices or rate of production, will take place for a fortnight to come. Coal is in good demand, and the movement eastward is kept back only by the current high rates of freight, which are \$1.40 @ \$1.50 to Boston and \$1 to Providence. Vessels are in tolerable supply, so that rates may be said to have eased a little. A good fall trade is anticipated with confidence. The quotations are: Lehigh, \$4.20 @ \$5 for Lump; \$4.25 @ \$4.45 for Grate, Egg and Stove; Chestnut, \$3.90 @ \$4. Free burning Coals, \$3.90 @ \$4.50 for Lump, Grate, Chestnut and Egg; Stove, \$4.20.

Bituminous Coals are in fair demand, and prices firm at present quotations, which is partly due to shortened supplies. Only an occasional boat arrives by way of the Ohio and Chesapeake Canal, so great is the drought. The Pottsville *Miners' Journal* says: "There is brisk business doing in Egg, Stove and Chestnut—other sizes not in much request, except the regular supplies for the line trade for furnaces and mills. Prices are well maintained, and it is thought there will be a slight advance in October. The meeting to fix the circular rates for next month will not be held until the 30th inst., and its action cannot be definitely stated; but present indications point to an advance of 15 cents a ton on Egg, Stove and Chestnut—other sizes to remain as in last circular." The total amount of bituminous mined for the year is 3,472,383 tons, against 3,006,660 tons for the corresponding period last year, an increase of 405,678 tons. The total tonnage of all kinds of Coal for the week is 734,172 tons, against 741,311 tons in corresponding week last year, a decrease of 10,139 tons, and the total tonnage for the Coal year is 22,755,218 tons, against 18,655,111 tons to same date last year, an increase of 4,120,107 tons.

The coal product of the Schuylkill region for the week ending September 17, was 162,233 tons, as against 159,254 tons for the week previous, and 175,349 tons for the corresponding week of last year. The total product for the week was 647,200 tons, against 639,394 tons for the same week of last year—an increase of 7866 tons. The output for the year, so far, is 19,372,880 tons, against 15,649,451 tons for the corresponding period of last year—an increase of 3,723,329 tons.

FOREIGN TRADE MOVEMENTS.

The following is a summary of the foreign trade movements for the past week:

IMPORTS.

For the week ended September 23:

Total, 1879. 1880. 1881.
\$7,174,749 \$7,593,779 \$10,655,160
Prev. reported, 224,630,555 358,773,798 310,855,160

Since Jan. 1, 1872, 2,057,604 \$36,277,177 \$28,813,264

Included in the imports of general merchandise for the week were articles valued as follows:

Packages. Value.
Anvils 179 \$1,000
Brass goods 39 500
Bronzes 115 10,000

The prices current (prices paid by local dealers) for Rags, &c., are as follows:

| | | | | |
|--------------------|---------|---------|------------------------|------------------|
| Chains and anchors | 70 | 3,704 | Canvas, Linen | 10. 3½¢ @ 4 c. |
| Clocks | 55 | 7,145 | White Cotton, New | 10. 3½¢ @ 4 c. |
| Cutter | 148 | 48,933 | " No. 2 | 10. 4 c. @ 4½ c. |
| Guns | 239 | 39,052 | White, No. 1 | 10. 4 c. @ 4½ c. |
| Hardware | 5 | 780 | " No. 2 | 10. 4 c. @ 4½ c. |
| Iron, pig, tons | 11,127 | 202,933 | Seconds | 10. 1 c. @ 4½ c. |
| Iron cotton ties | 8,000 | 7,040 | Mixed Rags | 10. 9½¢ @ 4½ c. |
| Iron ore, tons | 7,762 | 24,752 | Gunny Bagging | 10. 9½¢ @ 4½ c. |
| Iron, other, tons | 3,085 | 102,701 | Kentucky Bagging | 10. 9½¢ @ 4½ c. |
| Railroad bars | 2,120 | 6,664 | Book Stock | 10. 9½¢ @ 4½ c. |
| Lead, pigs | 415 | 1,737 | Newspapers | 10. 9½¢ @ 4½ c. |
| Machinery | 115 | 11,578 | Waste Paper and Scraps | 10. 9½¢ @ 4½ c. |
| Mineral goods | 538 | 35,772 | Kentucky Bale Rope | 10. 9½¢ @ 4½ c. |
| Needles | 17 | 17 | | |
| Nickel | 28 | 6,650 | | |
| Old metal | ... | 5,601 | | |
| Platinum | 3 | 12,513 | | |
| Platedware | 4 | 149 | | |
| Pins | 9 | 18 | | |
| Plaster | 18 | 3,578 | | |
| Steel | 43,584 | 243,798 | | |
| Silver ore | 5 | 38 | | |
| Tin, boxes | 40 | 154 | | |
| Tin, bbls. | 27,730 | 127,512 | | |
| Tin, boxes | 25 | 1,300 | | |
| Tin, slabs | 109,109 | 100,993 | | |
| Tin, slabs, lbs. | 537,404 | 533,099 | | |
| Zinc | ... | 5,755 | | |

The following are the imports of leading articles, compared with previous dates:

| For the | 38 weeks | Same |
|-------------------|----------|------------|
| week. | of 1880. | time 1880. |
| Cutter, pkgs. | 148 | 5,175 |
| Hardware, pkgs. | 5 | 731 |
| Iron, R. R. cars. | 2,120 | 287,900 |
| Lead, pigs | 415 | 26,766 |
| Platedware | 43,584 | 804,855 |
| Tin, boxes | 97,730 | 1,190,634 |
| Tin, slabs, lbs. | 537,404 | 11,003,131 |

EXPORTS OF SPECIE.

| For the week ended September 24: | Total | \$130,665 |
|----------------------------------|-------|-------------|
| Previously reported | | 8,139,430 |
| Total since January 1, 1881. | | \$8,288,702 |
| Same time in 1880. | | 5,523,242 |
| Same time in 1879. | | 12,558,292 |
| Same time in 1878. | | 10,566,210 |
| Same time in 1877. | | 22,840,821 |
| Same time in 1876. | | 40,575,168 |
| Same time in 1875. | | 55,243,074 |
| Same time in 1874. | | 42,024,504 |
| Same time in 1873. | | 42,025,193 |
| Same time in 1872. | | 37,974,825 |

IMPORTS

Of Hardware, Iron, Steel and Metals in the Port of New York, for the Week ending Sept. 27, 1881:

Hardware.

Bailey Bros.

Mach'y, ca. 11

Boker Hermann & Co.

Cuttery, ca. 2

Gun, ca. 9

Packages, 5

Campbell A. P.

Degrave, Aymer & Co.

Chain, lengths, 4

Dolge Alford,

Cases, 2

Downing Sheldon & Co.

Cases, 4

Drexler, Morgan & Co.

Cases, 2

Field Alford & Co.

Cases, 23

Casks, 2

Folsom H. & D.

Arms, ca. 2

Cases, 2

France P. A.

Cases, 2

Graef Cutlery Co.

Cases, 3

Hartley & Graham,

Cases, 2

Hensel, Bruckman & Co.

Mach'y, pkgs., 17

Lewis & Conger,

Cases, 2

Livingstone M.

Nails, bags, 300

McCoy & Sanders,

Packages, 7

Montgomery & Co.

Mourning chains, ca. 2

Moore's Sons J. P.

Arms, ca. 8

Russell Wm.

Mach'y, pkgs., 51

Schulz Bros.

Cases, 2

Seville Mfg. Co.

Cases, 12

Schoverling, Daly & Gales,

Arms, ca. 5

Spencer Metal Mfg. Co.

Cases, 7

Steel Constitute,

Case, 2

Stroud & Titus,

Packages, 5

Tomes Francis,

Case, 1

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1. They are the strongest.
2. They cut fastest.
3. Each tooth has a "set."
4. They will turn a sharper corner.
5. They cut the smoothest.
6. They are the cheapest.

One Griffin Blade will outwear four of the best Paris or any six of the American Blades.



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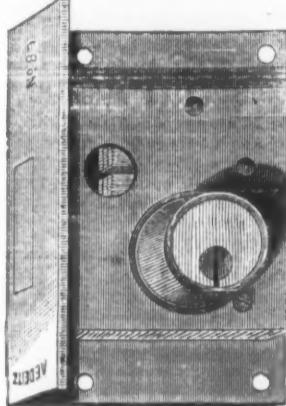
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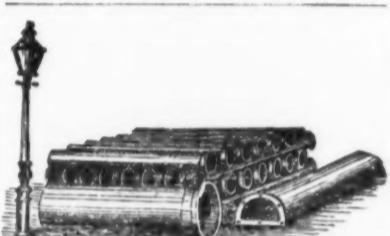
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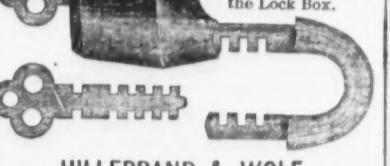
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An admirable invention, says the *Montreal Herald*, is shown in the Machinery Hall, called the "Watson Electric Railway Semaphore Signal," which must eventually supersede the semaphore in use on our railways at present. By its use evil resulting from the negligence of officials will be greatly lessened. It consists of an indicator and key placed in the station operator's room, connected with the semaphore by two ordinary telegraph wires. The arms of the semaphore revolve in the same manner and time as the hand of the indicator, and the operator can at once tell at what signal the lever stops. At each pressure of the key, about an eighth of a circle is passed over by the arm of the semaphore. This operation is repeated until the required position is reached. Within the lantern four plates of red and green glass revolve in the same manner on each side of the lamp. If, for example, the line is not clear, these glasses are revolved until a red disk covers the lamp. The arm of the semaphore is then in horizontal position and the indicator points to R, or red. The advantages of this semaphore are great. In the first place, it costs less than the one now in use, no more plant being required—as we have said before—two ordinary telegraph wires, instead of the post and heavy wires used in the old ones. It is economical in working, as the signal can be worked by the operator. It ensures also the greatest safety from accident in the event of anything happening to the wires or indicator, as in this case the arm and lamp will automatically indicate danger. The mechanism of weights moving the arm must be wound up every evening, an operation which cannot be done until the lamp is lighted. Carelessness on the part of an official is thus precluded. The signal is specially adapted for use during the winter months, as its action is not influenced by ice or snow on the wires. Altogether it is an inestimable improvement in railway signaling, and its inventor may be regarded as a benefactor of all travelers. Messrs. John Taylor & Bros. are the agents in town, from whom particulars may be obtained on application.

Test of a Ventilating Apparatus.—The system of ventilating cars devised by Mr. Andrew J. Chase, of Boston, was put to a test on car on the Boston and Albany road September 12, which is thus described by the *Boston Herald*: There are two general principles involved in the apparatus used in this system. One, the supply of fresh air, freed from dust, cinders, &c.; the other, the expulsion of the foul air generated by the lungs and bodies of the occupants of the car. The air, as the train passes rapidly onward, is caught by a kind of scoop, or mouth, and is forced, cinders and all, downward through a pipe into a reservoir, where it strikes the water contained therein with sufficient force to be driven through it. After being thus cleaned and cooled the air is forced, by the pressure of the descending column, upward through another pipe or funnel and discharged into the body of the car. This air, being pure and cool, naturally gravitates to the bottom of the car, displacing the warmer vitiated air, which then ascends to the top of the car, where it is got rid of by an ingenious device. This consists of two long pipes or tunnels laid upon the outside of the car, on each side of the monitor top. These tunnels are jacketed at both ends by a large pipe, having a kind of bell mouth, to better gather in the air. Through these outer bell-mouth tubes—that is, the rear ones—the external air rushes with a velocity proportioned to the momentum of the car. This air, by its rapid movement, serves to siphon or pump the vitiated air out of the car, the tunnel used being connected with the interior of the car by a small siphon pipe, through which the foul air is thus withdrawn. There are valves at both ends of the tunnels, which act automatically, the ones in front being closed by the pressure of the atmosphere when the car is put in motion, while the rear ones are opened by the same pressure being exerted through the bell-mouthed jackets.

New Form for Rails.—Prof. J. W. Robinson, of the Department of Mechanical Engineering, State University of Ohio, says in regard to the improved fl-shaped rail, that the improved concave rail is not a mere chimera. It has already been subjected to the severest tests in practice and given satisfaction. I am informed that a third of a mile of the 45-pound iron rail has been put in place of 56-pound steel rails on a grade curve in the main track of the Chicago and Western Michigan Railroad, and that this is giving excellent satisfaction. Also, four miles of logging road, laid with 25-pound iron rails, has been in use some time. Investigation of the endurance of the line has decided other parties to use the same rail for logging roads. Attention is called to the fact of logging roads, for the reason that such roads are temporary and consequently poorly graded and ballasted, full of short curves and irregularities, &c., such conditions are evidently far more severe upon rails than those incident to good, solid, well-laid roadbeds. Also, the four-wheeled cars of these roads, bearing heavy loads of logs, are severe upon rails. Indeed the rail is often found with the sides of the head split down, when used on these roads. A rail thus damaged would evidently be dangerous for use, as the sharp top edge is now very weak. Also the gauge of track is widened by the thickness of the half rail head, and the wheel flange may strike dead upon the next rail head. The corresponding failure of the concave rail has occurred, viz., the head, worn very thin, has in one or two instances been split lengthwise down through the middle to the wood filling. But the parts of the rail remained in place, preserving the proper

gauge of track, and trains were safely run for several weeks following the discovery of the defect.

The Tin Plate Trade.

The Newcastle *Chronicle* says: There is at the present time more "movement" in the tin plate trade than in most other branches of the iron trade. The great works of Messrs. Booker, near Cardiff, erected at a cost of £400,000, are said to have been sold, and there are other indications that the demand is now overleaping the restricted production. The tin plate trade is one of the clearest examples of the fluctuations of the metallurgical industries and of their migrations. At one time the manufacture of tin plates was monopolized by Bohemia, and it is now restricted to very few regions. It is about two centuries since the first tin-plate works in this country were established at Pontypool, and that for a long period unsuccessfully. At the beginning of the present century there were only nine establishments for the production of tin plates in this country, and it is a comparative slow growth that has been known, for the latest official statement places the number of existing works at 81 only. About 44 of these works are in Glamorgan and Carmarthenshire, 22 in Monmouthshire and Gloucestershire, 10 or 11 in Staffordshire and Worcestershire, and the remainder in other districts—chiefly near Glasgow. The number of tin, terne and black plates made in a year is rather over 4,250,000 boxes in Great Britain. Of these, usually the United States buys one-half or more from us for roofing, for packing preserved fruits, fish and meats, and for the transit of oil. France, Holland, Germany, Scandinavia and other countries take up the bulk of the remainder, the quantity apparently retained for use in the United Kingdom being small. Out of the 4,250,000 boxes made in the last year reported on officially, indeed, about 3,500,000 boxes were exported—more than half from Liverpool and London, Bristol, Swansea, and Cardiff shipping the greater part of the remainder. Although Bohemia still makes a small quantity, and France and the United States are also manufacturers, Britain is the great maker for the world at the present time of this article, whose use is yearly widening, and, as we have seen, Wales is at the present time the great center of the manufacture, while America remains the chief market. In that fierce demand that set in from the United States two years ago for iron goods, tin plates shared, but a year ago the inevitable fall occurred, and prices retreated. Restriction of make followed, and now a more healthy state of the trade has returned. The demand is fair, is increasing, and is from a widened area. In that enlargement of the trade there is an opportunity for the entrance of the North of England into the manufacture. It needs new sources of consumption for its pig iron, and the experience of Staffordshire and Coalbridge shows that new districts can now enter into the trade that was once so carefully monopolized. The tin needed can be brought more cheaply to the North than it can to Scotland. There is now from the Tyne and neighboring ports ample and direct communications with the great markets for tin plates, and it needs only enterprise to locate in this district that growing manufacture of which Great Britain has so largely a monopoly, and the use of the product of which may be expected to grow not only in the United States, but also with our colonies.

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The Department of State is in receipt of a communication from the British legation at Washington, relative to the exhibition to be held in London of apparatus of all kinds devised to prevent smoke. This exhibition will open October 24, and the department has been further informed by the Charge d'Affaires at Washington that the committee has decided to consider favorably all applications from foreign exhibitors throughout September, and they will, as far as possible, reserve space for late exhibits, so that none may be excluded.

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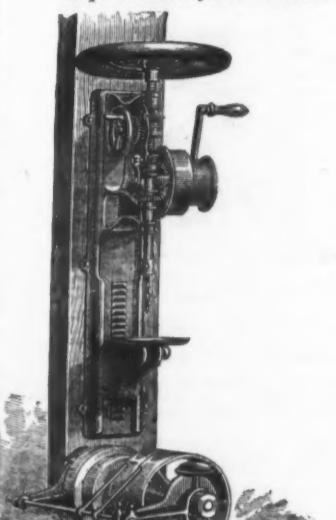
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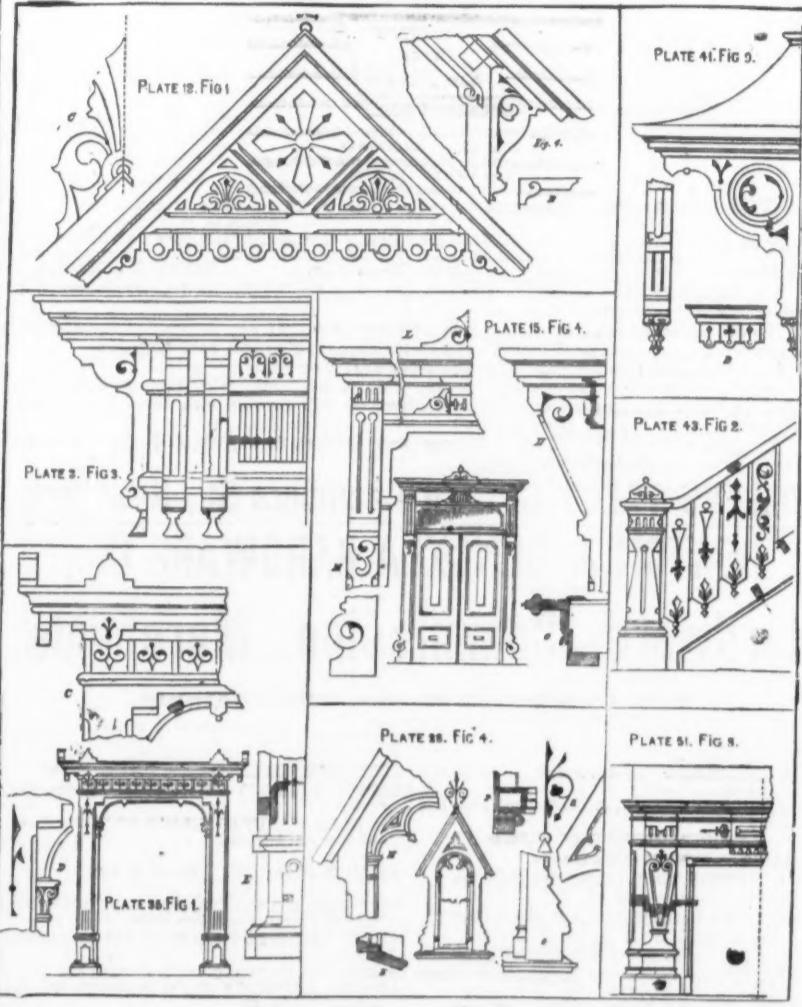
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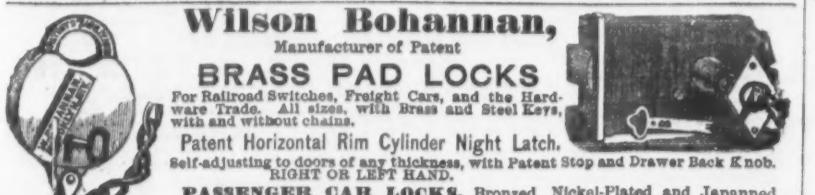
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To-day a decree in my suit against G. T. Fisher & Co., of Detroit, for an infringement of my patent, was made and entered, of which the following is an extract:

At a session of the Circuit Court of the United States for the Eastern District of Michigan, held at Detroit, on Wednesday, the 8th day of December, 1880.

Present, Hon. H. E. Brown, District Judge.

GUYON F. WILDER, et al.

It is ordered, adjudged and decreed, that the act entitled "An act for the relief of Nelson Lyon and Joseph S. James" passed by Congress and approved April 1, 1880, &c., is a good, valid and constitutional act.

That the original patent, bearing date July 9, 1872, and numbered 1288, granted and issued to Joseph Barsalou, Joseph S. James and Nelson Lyon, when corrected by the Acting Commissioner of Patents, as directed by the act, is a good and valid patent.

That the said Joseph Barsalou was the original and first inventor of the improvements in metallic stiffeners for boot and shoe heels mentioned and described in said letters patent.

That the Plaintiff in this suit, Nelson Lyon, is the original and first inventor of the improvements in metallic stiffeners for boot and shoe heels mentioned and described in said letters patent.

That the Defendants, G. T. Fisher & Co., and each of them, have infringed upon the said patents and upon the exclusive rights of said Lyon and Barsalou, and that the said defendants all the profits, &c., they have made, and in addition thereto all the damage he has suffered by reason of the infringements by the defendants, and also the costs, charges and disbursements in the action.

It is also further ordered, adjudged and decreed, that a perpetual injunction be issued against said defendants to restrain them from the practice of the said complainant's bill.

You are also hereby notified that the perpetual injunction has been issued and served on the defendants.

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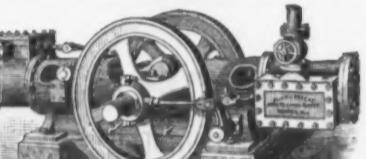
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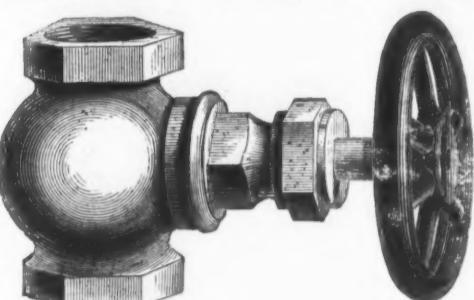
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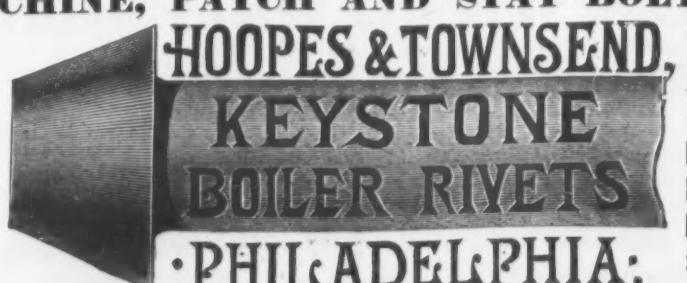


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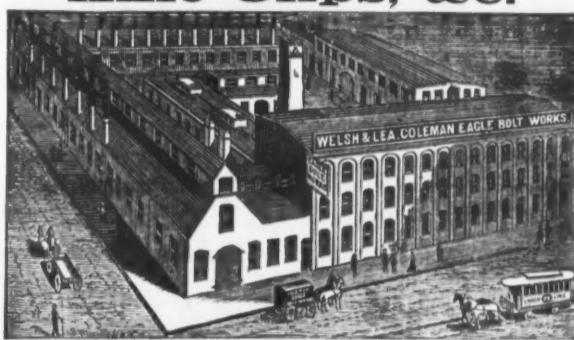
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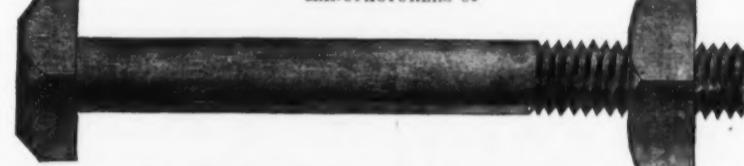
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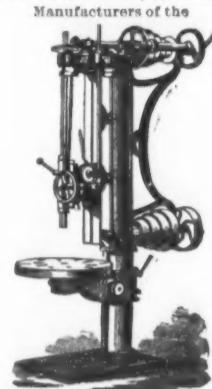
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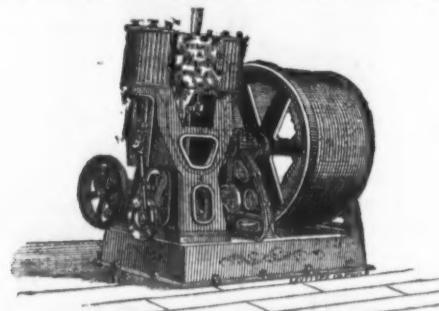


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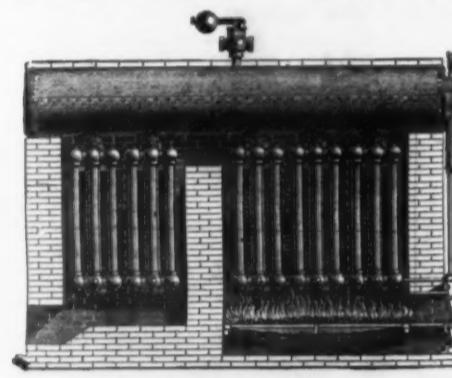
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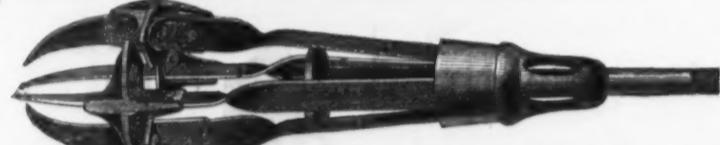
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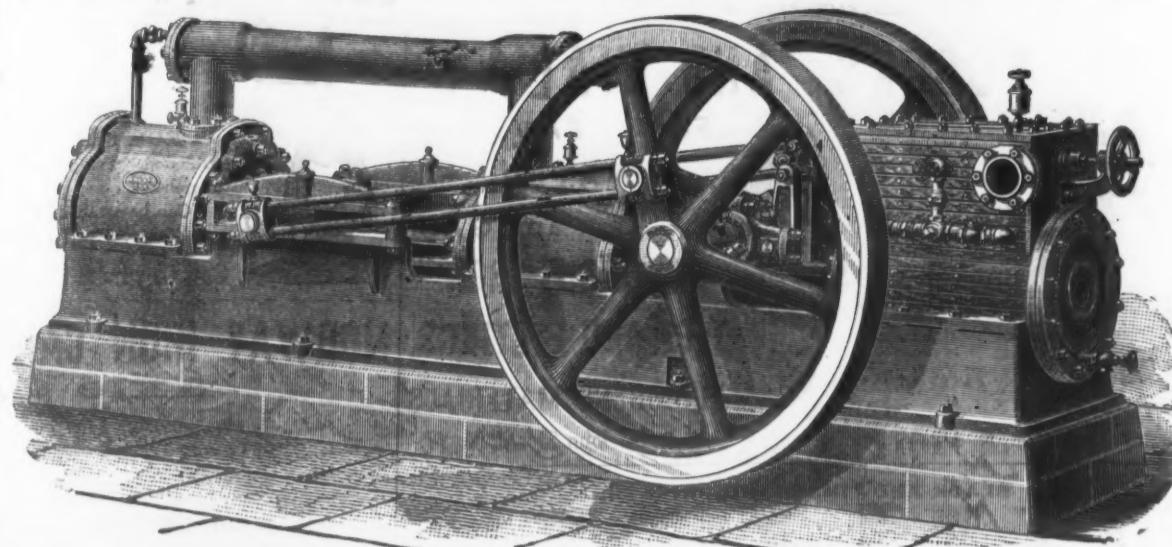
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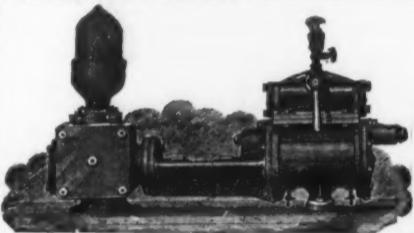
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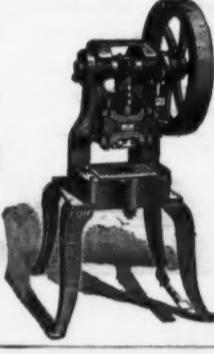
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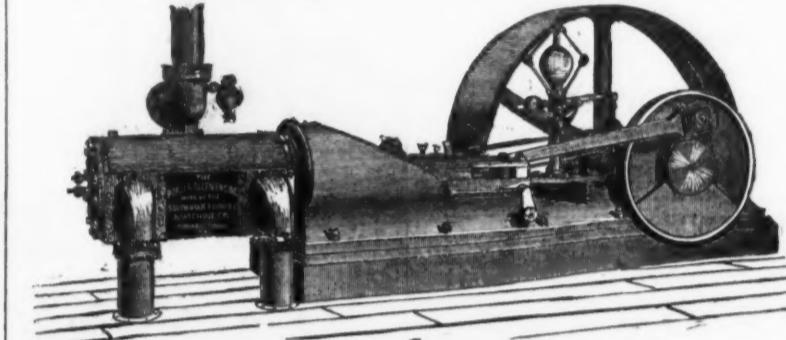
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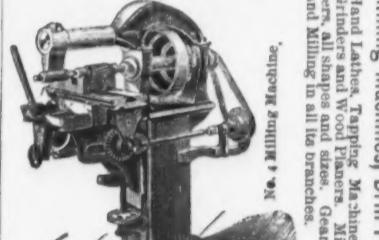
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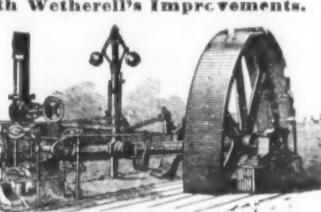
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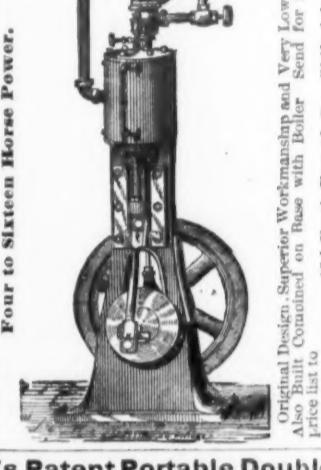
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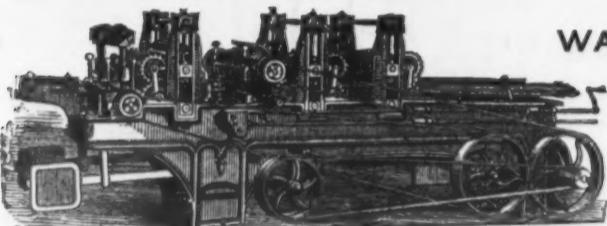
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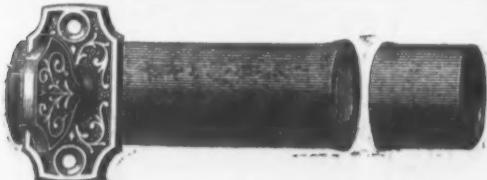
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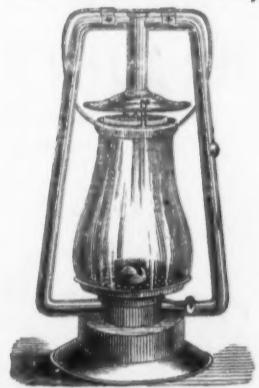
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